# **APPENDIX A**

# **DEFINITIONS**

### PART I: TERMS

As used in these regulations, and unless otherwise specifically provided in these regulations, the following definitions apply.

**ACCOMMODATIONS.** Seat space, berths, roomettes, bedrooms, and staterooms on transportation facilities. Types include:

- 1. <u>Air Coach or Air Tourist</u>. A type available on commercial aircraft at rates lower than first class or premium class
- 2. <u>Coach or Chair Car (Rail)</u>. A type, not affording sleeping facilities, at a lesser rate than first class (parlor car seat).
- 3. Lowest First Class. The lowest cost offered by commercial carriers to the general public as first class.
- 4. Security (Enclosed). Any private room space that can be locked for security purposes.

**ACCOMMODATIONS, APPROVED.** Any place of public lodging that is listed on the national master list of approved accommodations. The national master list of all approved accommodations is compiled, periodically updated, and published in the Federal Register by FEMA. Additionally, the approved accommodation list is available on the U.S. Fire Administration's Internet site at <a href="http://www.usfa.fema.gov/hotel/indes.htm">http://www.usfa.fema.gov/hotel/indes.htm</a>.

### ACCOMMODATIONS, COMMON CARRIER.

NOTE: On common carrier aircraft with two classes of service, the higher class is first class.

- 1. <u>First/Premium Class</u>. The highest class of accommodations offered by commercial airlines. All classes above the lowest class. Includes suites, offered by commercial ships, and the highest class of service, including bedrooms, roomettes, club service, parlor car, or other premium accommodations offered by passenger rail carriers.
- 2. <u>Premium Class other than First Class</u>. Any class of accommodations offered by commercial airlines that is between coach-class and first-class accommodations (e.g., business-class).
- 3. <u>Coach-class</u>. The basic class of accommodations offered by commercial airlines and passenger rail carriers, that includes a level of service available to all passengers regardless of the fare paid. The term applies when an airline offers only one class of accommodations. The term also includes tourist-class and economy-class on commercial airlines and reserved coach and/or slumber coach accommodations on overnight rail travel.
- 4. <u>Slumber Coach</u>. The lowest level of sleeping accommodations available on a train.
- 5. Extra-Fare Train. A train that operates at an increased fare due to the extra performance of the train (i.e., faster speed or fewer stops).

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6. Lowest First Class. The least expensive first class of reserved accommodations available on a ship.

**ACCOMMODATIONS, PUBLIC.** Any inn, hotel, or other establishment within a State (and the District of Columbia) that provides lodging to transient guests, excluding an establishment:

- 1. owned by the Federal Government;
- 2. treated as an apartment building by State or local law or regulation; or
- 3. containing not more than 5 rooms for rent or hire that also is occupied as a residence by the proprietor.

**ACTUAL EXPENSE.** Payment of authorized actual expenses incurred, up to the limit prescribed by the Administrator of GSA or agency, as appropriate. Reimbursement is contingent on eligibility for per diem, and is subject to the same definitions and rules governing per diem.

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\*ACTUAL RESIDENCE. The fixed or permanent domicile of a person that can be reasonably justified as a bona fide residence. Also referred to as the "home of record". For a separating employee concluding an OCONUS assignment, the "actual residence" is the residence occupied at the time the employee received the OCONUS assignment. This is the residence listed in the service or transportation agreement signed by the employee prior to departure to an OCONUS post, pursuant to which the employee is assured that the expenses of return travel and transportation will be paid by the Government. (GSBCA 16265-RELO, 19 December 2003)

### AGENCY.

### A. Includes:

- 1. An Executive agency, as defined in 5 USC §101;
- 2. A military department;
- 3. An office, agency or other establishment in the legislative branch;
- 4. An office, agency or other establishment in the judicial branch; and
- 5. The Government of the District of Columbia.

# B. Does NOT include:

- 1. A Government-controlled corporation;
- 2. A member of Congress; or
- 3. An office or committee of either House of Congress or of the two Houses.

**AGREEMENT.** A written statement required by any of several statutes, signed by a person selected for appointment or by an employee, prescribing a required period of service and other conditions related to transportation allowances in connection with permanent duty travel.

**APPROVE(D).** The ratification or confirmation of an act already done.

# APPROVING OFFICIAL. See TRAVEL-APPROVING/DIRECTING OFFICIAL.

**ARMED FORCES.** The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard (see 37 USC §101(4)).

### **AUTHENTICATING OFFICIAL. See AO.**

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- 1. The giving of permission before an act.
- 2. The giving, through these regulations, of an allowance to an eligible individual requiring no other action.

(Example: When the regulation states that an allowance is authorized, – the regulation means that an eligible individual has that allowance without further action by any other activity.)

**AUTHORIZING/ORDER-ISSUING OFFICIAL (AO).** The official who directs travel and has responsibility for the funding.

**AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE (ATM) SERVICES.** Contractor-provided services that allow cash withdrawals from participating ATMs to be charged to a contractor-issued charge card.

**BAGGAGE.** Personal effects of a traveler that are needed in connection with official travel and immediately upon arrival at the point of assignment. Material belonging to the Government may be included. **NOTE:** Baggage may accompany a traveler or be transported separately.

**BAGGAGE, ACCOMPANIED.** Baggage that consists of coats, brief cases, suitcases, and similar luggage that accompanies a traveler free under carriers' tariffs on a transportation ticket.

**BAGGAGE**, **UNACCOMPANIED**. The part of a member's/employee's prescribed weight allowance of HHG that:

- 1. Is not carried free on a ticket used for personal travel,
- 2. Ordinarily is transported separately from the major bulk of HHG, and
- 3. Usually is transported by an expedited mode because it is needed immediately or soon after arrival at destination for interim housekeeping pending arrival of the major portion of HHG.

<u>NOTE 1</u>: Unaccompanied baggage in connection with permanent duty and RAT may consist of personal clothing and equipment, essential pots, pans, and light housekeeping items; collapsible items such as cribs, playpens, and baby carriages; and other articles required for the care of dependents. Items such as refrigerators, washing machines, and other major appliances or furniture must not be included in unaccompanied baggage.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: In connection with an extended TDY assignment, unaccompanied baggage is limited to the necessary personal clothing and effects for the individual and equipment directly related to the assignment.

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**BLANKET TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION.** (Also called Unlimited Open, Limited Open, or Repeat Travel Authorization.) An authorization issued to a traveler who regularly and frequently makes trips away from the PDS within specific geographical limits for a specific time period within a fiscal year in performance of regularly assigned duties. (Also see Travel Authorization.)

NOTE 1: Blanket travel authorizations are not used in DTS.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: Blanket travel authorizations for TDY travel can only authorize economy-class travel. If premium-class travel becomes necessary for a specific trip, an amendment to the travel authorization for each such trip must be issued.

**BUSINESS-CLASS.** Travel and accommodations/service that fall between first-class and coach-class accommodations. Business-class accommodations usually, but do not have to, have their own cabin/facilities between first-class and coach-class accommodations. (See par. U3125-B2b for business-class transportation authority (restricted to the two-star flag level and civilian equivalents.)

CALENDAR DAY. The 24-hour period from one midnight to the next midnight. <u>NOTE</u>: The calendar day technically begins one second after midnight (reflects as 0001) and ends at midnight (2400).

**CERTIFICATED AIR CARRIER.** See U.S. Flag Air Carrier.

**CIRCUITOUS TRAVEL.** Travel by a route other than the one that ordinarily would be prescribed by a transportation officer between the places involved. *Also referred to as Indirect Travel.* 

**COMMAND, COMBATANT.** An organization with a broad continuing mission under a single commander, established and so designated by the President, through the Secretary of Defense with the advice and assistance of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. Combatant commands typically have geographic or functional responsibilities.

**COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTER**. A transporter operating under the Interstate Commerce Commission Termination Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-88) in interstate commerce or under appropriate State statutes in intrastate commerce.

**COMMON CARRIER.** Private-sector supplier of air, rail, bus, or ship transportation.

**COMMUTED RATE.** A price rate used for HHG transportation and temporary storage. It includes costs of line-haul transportation, packing, crating, unpacking, drayage incident to transportation and other accessorial charges, and costs of temporary storage within the applicable weight limit for storage including in-and-out charges and necessary drayage. To get the commuted rates tables for transportation, storage, packing, unpacking, crating, drayage and other accessorial charges incident to transportation you must subscribe to the Professional Movers Commercial Relocation Tariff, STB HGB 400-(Series). See par. C5160-D4.

**CONFERENCE**. A meeting, retreat, seminar, symposium or event that involves attendee travel. Also applies to training activities that are conferences under 5 CFR 410.404. <u>NOTE</u>: This does not include regularly scheduled courses of instruction conducted at a Government or commercial training facility.

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (CONUS). The 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia.

# **CONTINGENCY OPERATION.** A military operation that:

- 1. Is designated by the Secretary of Defense as an operation in which members of the armed forces are or may become involved in military actions, operations, or hostilities against an enemy of the United States or against an opposing military force; or
- 2. Results in the call or order to, or retention on, active duty of members of the uniformed services under 10 USC §688, §12301(a), §12302, §12304, §12305, or §12406; Chapter 15 of title 10, or any other provision of law during a war or during a national emergency declared by the President or Congress.

**CONTRACT CARRIERS.** U.S. certificated air carriers that are under contract with the Government to furnish Federal employees and other persons authorized to travel at Government expense with passenger transportation service. This also includes GSA's scheduled airline passenger service between selected U.S. cities/airports and between selected U.S. and international cities/airports at reduced fares.

(CONTRACTED) COMMERCIAL TRAVEL OFFICE (CTO). A commercial activity providing a full range of commercial travel and ticketing services for official travel under a contract and/or memorandum of understanding with the Government.

**DEFENSE TABLE OF OFFICIAL DISTANCES (DTOD).** The DoD standard source for worldwide distance information based on city-to-city distance (*not* zip code to zip code) replacing all other sources used for computing distance (except airplanes). For more information refer to the DTOD website at <a href="http://dtod1.sddc.army.mil">http://dtod1.sddc.army.mil</a>.

# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD) COMPONENTS.

The Office of the Secretary of Defense (including the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff);

Department of the Army;

Department of the Air Force;

Department of the Navy (including the Marine Corps);

DoD Inspector General

United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces;

### DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES:

American Forces Information Service

Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Personnel Office;

Defense Technology Security Administration;

DoD Counterintelligence Field Activity;

DoD Education Activity;

DoD Human Resources Activity;

Office of Economic Adjustments;

TRICARE Management Activity;

Washington Headquarters Services;

### **DEFENSE AGENCIES:**

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

Defense Commissary Agency

Defense Contract Audit Agency

Defense Contract Management Agency

Defense Finance and Accounting Service

Defense Information Systems Agency

Defense Intelligence Agency

Defense Legal Services Agency

Defense Logistics Agency

Defense Security Cooperation Agency

Defense Security Service

Defense Threat Reduction Agency

National Geospatial Intelligence Agency

National Geospatial Intelligence College

National Security Agency/Central Security Service Missile Defense Agency Pentagon Force Protection Agency

#### JOINT SERVICE SCHOOLS:

Joint Military Intelligence College Defense Acquisition University National Defense University Joint Professional Military Education Colleges Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

**DEPENDENT/IMMEDIATE FAMILY.** Any of the following named members of an employee's household at the time the employee reports for duty at a new PDS or performs authorized/approved OCONUS tour RAT or separation travel:

- 1. Employee's spouse;
- 2. Children of the employee or employee's spouse who are unmarried and under age 21 years or who, regardless of age, are physically or mentally incapable of self-support. <u>NOTE</u>: "Children" includes natural offspring; stepchildren; adopted children; grandchildren, legal minor wards or other dependent children who are under legal guardianship of the employee or employee's spouse; also, a child born and moved after the employee's effective date of transfer because of advance stage of pregnancy, or other reasons acceptable to the DoD component concerned, e.g., awaiting completion of the school year by other children (50 Comp. Gen. 220 (1970); 66 id. 497 (1987)).;

NOTE 1: An employee and spouse at an OCONUS PDS assumed temporary custody of two grandchildren. The parent of the grandchildren was a uniformed member on active duty with a DoD Service in Iraq. The uniformed member (the parent) executed a special military power of attorney granting guardianship of the children to the children's grandparent. GSBCA held that the power of attorney did not create a "legal guardianship" as that term is used in par. B above to define dependent/immediate family members for the purpose of determining eligibility for relocation allowances. Since the term "legal guardianship" is not defined in the JTR, GSBCA turned to Arizona state law (the state in which the power of attorney was executed and in which the uniformed member resided) for guidance. Under Arizona law legal guardianship can be established only by judicial determination and the powers of attorney provided by the uniformed member were not sufficient to create guardianship. Since legal guardianship did not exist, the grandchildren could not be members of the employee's immediate family and the employee was not authorized travel and transportation costs and overseas allowances (TQSA) on their behalf (GSBCA 16337-RELO, 19 April, 2004).

- 3. Dependent parents (including step- and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or employee's spouse; and
- 4. Dependent brothers and sisters (including step- and legally adoptive brothers and sisters) of the employee or employee's spouse who are unmarried and under 21 years of age or who, regardless of age, are physically or mentally incapable of self-support.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: Generally, the individuals named in items 3 and 4 are dependents of the employee if they receive at least 51 percent of their support from the employee or employee's spouse; however, this percentage of support criterion must not be the decisive factor in all cases. These individuals also may be dependents for the purpose of this definition if they are members of the employee's household and, in addition to their own income, receive support (less than 51 percent) from the employee or employee's spouse without which they would be unable to maintain a reasonable standard of living.

<u>NOTE 3</u>: In connection with the Missing Persons Act, "dependent" is defined in par. C6101-A for purposes of transportation eligibility under that Act.

NOTE 4: With respect to emergency leave travel, see par. C6453-D.

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\*NOTE 5: Whether an individual is considered to be an employee's spouse for the purpose of allowances authorized in these regulations when a "common law marriage" is involved is addressed in several GSBCA and Comptroller General decisions. Some quotes from those decisions are as follows:

GSBCA quotes "Issues of marital status are determined by state law and the relationship of spouse exists if common law marriage is recognized by the law of the state where the parties entered into such a marriage"; and,

"Issues of marital status are determined by state law, James H. Perdue, GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998. Some states recognize common law marriage -- "[a] marriage that takes legal effect, without license or ceremony, when a couple live together as husband and wife, intend to be married, and hold themselves out to others as a married couple." Black's Law Dictionary 986 (7th ed. 1999)"; and,

As we recognized in James H. Perdue, GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998 the burden of proof is on the claimant to establish the common law marriage. State law determines issues of marital status, and the relationship of spouse exists if common law marriage is recognized under the law of the state where the parties entered into such a marriage. The following Comptroller General decisions address specific circumstances: B-260688, 23 October 1995; B-247541, 19 June 1992; B-212900, 15 November 1983; B-191316, 27 September 1978; B-191316, 6 April 1978; B-186179, 30 June 1976.

The validity of a common law marriage is determined by the law of the place where it was contracted, and if valid there, it will be valid elsewhere, in the absence of contravention of positive law, or consideration of policy to the contrary. B-186179, 30 June 1978; B-191316, September 1978.

The burden of proof is on the claimant to establish the common law marriage. See GSBCA 15207-RELO, 19 May 2000; GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998.

Once the employee has submitted evidence in support of the common-law marriage, it should be submitted to the appropriate agency legal counsel for assistance in determining whether the putative spouse qualifies as a spouse under the specific state and/or Federal law (1 USC §7). PDTATAC does not adjudicate these cases.

Pertinent GSBCA decisions

GSBCA 15947-RELO, 31 March 2003 available at: <a href="http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1594703.txt">http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1594703.txt</a> GSBCA 15382-RELO. 20 December 2000 available at:

http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1538220.txt

GSBCA 15207-RELO, 19 May 2000 available at: <a href="http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1520719.txt">http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1520719.txt</a> GSBCA 14673-RELO, 9 December 1998 available at:

http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r1467309.txt

GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998 available at: http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/r141220.txt

**DESIGNATED PLACE.** A place the commander concerned, or the commander's designated representative, or the employee designates for the movement of dependents or HHG when not accompanying the employee.

**DESTINATION RATE.** The per diem rate applicable to the next location at which an employee is to perform TDY or at which an employee makes an en route stopover to obtain overnight lodging.

# DIFFERENT (OR SEPARATE) DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

- 1. The several departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Federal Government.
- 2. Within the Department of Defense, the terms "Different Departments" or "Different Military Departments" means the DoD components separately. <u>NOTE</u>: This distinction is necessary with regard to funding for travel and transportation from one department to another.

**DISCOUNT GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE.** The daily rate charged for meals in a Government dining facility minus the operating cost. See definition of "GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE" for current rates.

**DISTANCE.** As applicable for the Defense Table of Official Distance:

- 1. Shortest. Routes a driver takes to minimize total distance traveled while still following a truck-navigable route. Used in most cases to calculate HHG distances.
- 2. <u>Practical</u>. Route a driver ordinarily would take to minimize time and cost. Practical routes model the trade-off between taking the most direct path versus staying on major, high-quality highways. Interstate highways are given a higher priority than secondary highways. Practical routings consider distance, road quality, terrain, urban/rural classifications, and designated principal and secondary through routes. Used to calculate travel distances.

**DUTY STATIONS.** For the purpose of HHG and mobile home transportation and storage -- the place at which an employee actually is assigned for duty, including a place from which the employee commutes daily to an assigned station.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PCS TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION.** The date an employee is required to commence travel to comply with a PCS travel authorization. <u>NOTE</u>: In determining the effective date, authorized leave or TDY en route required by the travel authorization is excluded.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRANSFER OR APPOINTMENT.** The date an employee or new appointee reports for duty at a new or first PDS.

# EMERGENCY TRAVEL. See TRAVEL, EMERGENCY.

### **EMPLOYEE.** A civilian individual:

- 1. Employed by an agency (as defined in this Appendix), regardless of status or grade;
- 2. Employed intermittently as an expert or consultant and paid on a daily WAE basis; or
- 3. Serving without pay or at \$1 a year (5 USC §5701(2)) (also referred to as "invitational traveler" for TDY travel purposes only).

### EMPLOYEE, DISABLED

- A. An employee who has a disability as defined in paragraph (B) of this definition and generally otherwise is covered under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC §701-797b).
- B. Disability, with respect to an employee:
  - 1. Having a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities;
  - 2. Having a record of such an impairment;
  - 3. Being regarded as having such an impairment; but
  - 4. Does not include an individual who is currently engaging in the illegal use of drugs, when the covered entity acts on the basis of such use.

### C. Physical or mental impairment

- 1. Any physiological disorder or condition, cosmetic disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems:
  - a. Neurological,
  - b. Musculoskeletal,
  - c. Special sense organ,
  - d. Respiratory (including speech organs),
  - e. Cardiovascular,
  - f. Reproductive,
  - g. Digestive,
  - h. Genitourinary,

- i. Hemic and lymphatic,
- j. Skin,
- k. Endocrine; or
- 2. Any mental or psychological disorder (e.g., mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness and specific learning disabilities).
- 3. "Physical or mental impairment" includes such diseases and conditions as:
  - a. Cerebral palsy,
  - b. Epilepsy,
  - c. Muscular dystrophy,
  - d. Multiple sclerosis,
  - e. Cancer,
  - f. Heart disease,
  - g. Diabetes,
  - h. Mental retardation,
  - i. Emotional illness,
  - j. Orthopedic, visual, speech and hearing impairments, and
  - k. Similar impairments.
- D. "Major Life Activities". Functions such as caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning and working.
- E. "Has a Record of Such an Impairment". The employee has a history of, or has been classified as having, a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
- F. "Is regarded as Having Such an Impairment". Means the employee has:
  - 1. A physical or mental impairment that does not substantially limit major life activities but the impairment is treated by the agency as constituting such a limitation;
  - 2. A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits major life activities as a result of the attitudes or others toward such an impairment; or
  - 3. None of the impairments defined under "physical or mental impairment", but is treated by the employing agency as having a substantially limiting impairment.

**EXPEDITED TRANSPORTATION MODE.** A common carrier-operated transportation service for the accelerated or protected movement of HHG between specified points.

EXTENDED STORAGE. See NON-TEMPORARY STORAGE.

FAMILY. See DEPENDENT.

**FEDERAL TRAVEL REGULATION.** Regulation contained in 41 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Chapters 300 through 304, that implements statutory requirements and Executive branch policies for travel by Federal civilian employees and others authorized to travel in the manner of civilian employees at Government expense.

**FIELD DUTY.** All duty serving with troops participating in maneuvers, war games, field exercises, or similar types of operations during which:

- 1. The individual is subsisted in a Government mess or with an organization drawing field rations, and is provided Government quarters or is quartered in accommodations normally associated with field exercises, or <u>NOTE</u>: Everything ordinarily covered by per diem is furnished without charge, except that members are required to pay for rations at the discounted meal rate (basic meal rate.).
- 2. Students are participating in survival training, forage for subsistence, and improvise shelter.

  <u>NOTE</u>: Individuals furnished quarters and subsistence obtained by contract are performing field duty when so declared by a competent official.

**FIRST-CLASS.** The highest travel and accommodations available -- See JFTR, par. U3125-B2a and/or JTR, par. C2204-B2a for first-class transportation authority.

**FOREIGN AIR CARRIER.** An air carrier that does not hold a certificate issued by the United States under 49 USC §41102.

**FOREIGN AREA AND FOREIGN COUNTRY.** Any area or country outside the 50 States, District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and U.S. territories and possessions.

**FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES.** The Foreign Service as constituted under the Foreign Service Act of 1980.

**FORMER CANAL ZONE AREA.** Areas and installations in the Republic of Panama made available to the U.S. under the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements as described in section 3(a) of the Panama Canal Act of 1979.

**FUND-APPROVING OFFICIAL.** One who provides the accounting data for authorized/approved travel authorizations or amendments.

**GEOGRAPHICAL LOCALITY.** The contiguous political area of a single country or a related island group in the same region.

NOTE 1: Widely dispersed noncontiguous subdivisions of the same country are separate geographical localities. For example: the United Kingdom (including England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland) is a geographical locality and Ireland (Republic of) is a separate geographical locality; France and Germany are separate geographical localities; Portugal and the Azores are separate geographical localities; the Philippine Islands are the same geographical locality. Japan, including its separate island components, with the exception of the Ryukyu Island, is a single geographical locality. The Ryukyu Islands (including Okinawa) are a separate geographical locality. With regard to the United States, CONUS is a single geographical locality, but the states of Hawai'i and Alaska, and each United States territory or possession, are separate geographical localities.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: When the term "overseas area" or "OCONUS area" is used, it relates to more than one geographical locality and may include a continent, or the area comprising command jurisdiction, or the entire OCONUS area.

**GOVERNMENT.** The Government of the United States and the Government of the District of Columbia.

**GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE RATE SUPPLEMENT (GARS)**. A reimbursable expense charged by rental car companies for costs incurred unique to doing business with the U.S. Government.

**GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT.** Any aircraft owned, leased, chartered or rented and operated by an executive agency.

**GOVERNMENT-CONTRACT RENTAL AUTOMOBILE.** An automobile obtained for short-term use from a commercial firm under the provisions of an appropriate GSA Federal Supply Schedule contract.

**GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED CONTRACTOR-ISSUED INDIVIDUALLY BILLED CHARGE CARD.** A charge card used by authorized individuals to pay for official travel and transportation related expenses for which the card contractor bills the employee.

**GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED QUARTERS.** Quarters (other than Government or privatized quarters) under the jurisdiction of a uniformed service (e.g., Ministry of Defense (MOD) leased quarters that the Government controls occupancy).

**GOVERNMENT CONVEYANCE.** Equipment owned, leased, or chartered, for transportation on land, water, or in the air, expressly for Government use. This includes aircraft on loan to or owned by an Aero Club and AMC categories B and M air travel.

**GOVERNMENT DINING FACILITY/GOVERNMENT MESS.** A generic term used in lieu of Government mess, general mess, dining hall dining activity, mess hall, galley, field kitchen, flight kitchen, or similar terms used to describe dining facilities funded by appropriated funds. (Excludes activities operated by non-appropriated fund instrumentalities such as an officer's mess, club, organized mess and all similar terms.) If used (See Appendix O, par. T4040-A2b. for information on "Government mess available.") by an employee includes:

- 1. A general or Service organizational mess, including messing facilities of a state-owned National Guard Camp; <u>NOTE</u>: A mess established and operated primarily for enlisted member subsistence is not included for employees unless the mess is used by them.
- 2. Marine Corps officers' field ration dining facility, an officers' wardroom mess, or warrant officers' and chief petty officers' mess afloat; or
- 3. Box lunches, in flight meals, or rations furnished by the Government on military aircraft.

<u>NOTE</u>: In-flight snack meals purchased at the member's/employee's option before boarding a military aircraft and meals furnished by commercial air carriers (including AMC charter flights) are not meals furnished by a Government dining facility/mess.

**GOVERNMENT-FURNISHED AUTOMOBILE.** An automobile (or "light truck," as defined in 41 CFR 101-38 including vans and pickup trucks) that is:

- 1. Owned by an agency;
- 2. Assigned or dispatched to an agency on a rental basis from a GSA interagency motor pool; or
- 3. Leased by the Government for 60 or more days from a commercial firm.

**GOVERNMENT-FURNISHED VEHICLE.** A Government-furnished automobile or a Government aircraft.

#### **GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE**

The daily rate (discount or standard) charged for meals in a Government dining facility.

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- 1. Discount Government Meal Rate: \$7.55 per day
- 2. Standard Government Meal Rate: \$8.90 per day

# NOTE: Also see DISCOUNT GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE.

#### GOVERNMENT MESS. See GOVERNMENT DINING FACILITY/GOVERNMENT MESS.

**GOVERNMENT-PROCURED TRANSPORTATION.** Transportation obtained directly from a commercial carrier with a document issued by an appropriate Government official.

### **GOVERNMENT QUARTERS**

- 1. Sleeping accommodations (including aboard a ship) owned, operated, or leased by the U.S. Government;
- 2. Lodgings or other quarters obtained by U.S. Government contract;
- 3. Quarters in a state-owned National Guard camp;
- 4. Sleeping facilities in a National Guard armory when these facilities actually are used or competent authority directs their use for annual or year-round annual training even though not used;
- 5. Temporary lodging facilities as defined in this Appendix;
- 6. Lodging facilities on a U.S. Installation, owned and operated by private corporation, if the use of these facilities is directed by Service regulations;
- 7. Family-type housing owned or leased by the U.S. Government (does *not* include privatized housing).

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<u>NOTE 1</u>: Government quarters include guest houses, officers clubs, bachelor quarters, visiting officers' quarters, or similar quarters facilities located at a military activity, quarters aboard a Corps of Engineers floating plant and a Navy Mine Defense Laboratory offshore platform. Also included are family-type quarters owned or leased by the U.S. Government, whether occupied as a guest or as a principal.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: Adequacy standards are prescribed by the Office, Secretary of Defense in DoD 4165.63-M DoD Housing Management (See http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/416563m\_0993/p416563m.pdf), and implemented by appropriate DoD component regulations.

**GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION.** Transportation facilities owned, leased, or chartered, and operated by the U.S. Government for transportation on land, water, or in the air. (Also see Government Conveyance.)

**GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION REQUEST (GTR)** (Standard Form 1169). A Government document used to procure common carrier transportation services. The document obligates the Government to pay for transportation services provided.

**GROUP MOVEMENT.** A movement of 2 or more official travelers traveling as a group, under the same travel authorization (either PCS or TDY) for which transportation will be furnished by Government-owned/procured from the same origin to the same destination. Movement could include locations en route as specified on the travel authorization.

**HOUSEHOLD GOODS (HHG)** (FTR, § 300-3.1). Items *(except those listed in B and C)* associated with the home and all personal effects belonging to an employee and dependents on the employee's effective date of transfer or appointment (see the definition in this Appendix) that legally may be accepted and transported by a commercial HHG carrier.

#### A. HHG include:

- 1. PBP&E needed and not needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination (PBP&E that are needed but may cause the HHG total weight to exceed 18,000 pounds optionally may be shipped administratively (see par. C5154-C1) and therefore must be weighed separately and identified on the inventory at origin as PBP&E.);
- 2. Spare parts for a POV (see the definition in this Appendix) and a pickup tailgate when removed;
- 3. Integral or attached vehicle parts that must be removed due to high vulnerability to pilferage or damage (e.g., seats, tops, winch, spare tires, portable auxiliary gasoline can(s), and miscellaneous associated hardware);
- 4. Consumable goods for employees with PCS travel authorization to locations listed in Appendix F;
- 5. Vehicles other than POVs (such as motorcycles, mopeds, hang gliders, golf carts, jet skis, and snowmobiles);

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6. Boats (and their associated trailer) that can fit into a moving van (e.g., canoe, skiff, dinghy, scull, kayak, rowboat, sailboat, outboard/inboard motorboat); and

### (Effective 19 February 2002)

7. Ultralight vehicles (defined in 14 C.F.R. Sec 103 as being single occupant; for recreation or sport purposes; weighing less than 155 pounds if unpowered or less than 254 pounds if powered; having a fuel capacity NTE 5 gallons; airspeed NTE 55 knots; and power-off stall speed NTE 24 knots).

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### B. HHG do not include:

- 1. Personal baggage when carried free on commercial transportation;
- 2. Automobiles, trucks, vans and similar motor vehicles; airplanes; mobile homes; camper trailers; horse trailers; and farming vehicles (see Chapter 5, Part E for POV shipment);
- 3. Live animals including birds, fish and reptiles;
- 4. Cordwood and building materials (B-133751, 1 November 1957 and B-180439, 13 September 1974);
- 5. HHG for resale, disposal or commercial use;
- 6. Privately owned live ammunition (B-130583, 8 May 1957); and
- 7. Boats (other than those in A6 above); and
- 8. Hazardous articles including explosives, flammable and corrosive materials, poisons, propane gas tanks. See DoD 4500.9-R, DTR, Part IV, for examples of hazardous materials.
- C. Law or carrier regulations may prohibit commercial shipment of certain articles not included in B. These articles frequently include articles:
  - 1. Liable to impregnate or otherwise damage equipment or other property (e.g., home canned items; liquid articles that are highly susceptible to breakage or leakage);
  - 2. That cannot be taken from the premises without damage to the article or the premises (e.g., bookcases built into walls);
  - 3. That are perishable (including frozen foods), or that require refrigeration, or that are perishable plants unless;
    - a. Shipment is to be transported not more than 150 miles and/or delivery accomplished within 24 hours from the time of loading,
    - b. No storage is required, and
    - c. No preliminary or en route services (e.g., watering or other preservative method) is required of the carrier.

### HOUSEHOLD GOODS TRANSPORTATION. See TRANSPORTATION, HHG.

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HOUSEHOLD GOODS-WEIGHT ADDITIVE. A weight added to the net weight of the household goods shipment to compensate for the excessive van space used by the item. <u>NOTE</u>: The item must be stated in the HHG tariff as qualifying for a weight additive before a charge can be assessed. Weight additives do not apply if an article is capable of being conveniently hand-carried by one person and/or transported in a standard moving carton.

**HOUSE-HUNTING TRIP (HHT).** Round trip travel between the old and new PDS for the purpose of seeking a permanent residence.

### IMMEDIATE FAMILY. See DEPENDENT/IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

**INTERVIEWEE.** An individual who is being considered for employment by an agency. The individual may currently be a Government employee.

INVITATIONAL TRAVEL. See TRAVEL, INVITATIONAL.

**ITINERARY, VARIATION IN.** A change in routing of travel or points of TDY in connection with official business, justified by the mission nature and requirements.

LOCALITY RATES. Maximum per diem rates prescribed for specific localities.

**LODGINGS-PLUS PER DIEM SYSTEM.** The method of computing per diem allowances for official travel in which the per diem allowance for each travel day is established on the basis of the actual amount the traveler pays for lodging, plus an allowance for meals and incidental expenses (M&IE), the total of which does not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate for the location concerned.

MEMBER (UNIFORMED SERVICES). A commissioned officer, commissioned warrant officer, warrant officer, and enlisted person, including a retired person, of the Uniformed Services. <u>NOTE</u>: "Retired person" includes members of the Fleet Reserve and Fleet Marine Corps Reserve who are in receipt of retainer pay.

MILEAGE (ALLOWANCE) - PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS) TRAVEL, FIRST DUTY STATION TRAVEL, HOUSE HUNTING TRIP (HHT) AND SEPARATION TRAVEL. A rate per mile for the authorized use of a privately owned automobile during official PCS travel. The amount depends on the official distance for which the rate per mile may be paid under the circumstances (as determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this regulation) and the number of authorized travelers transported. See par. C2505 for current rates.

MILEAGE (ALLOWANCE) - FOR LOCAL AND TDY TRAVEL. A rate per mile in lieu of reimbursement of actual POC operating expenses. See par. C2500 for current rates.

MISSING STATUS. The absence status of an employee who officially is carried or determined to be:

- 1. Missing;
- 2. Missing in action;
- 3. Interned in a foreign country;
- 4. Captured, beleaguered, or besieged by a hostile force; or
- 5. Involuntarily detained in a foreign country.

**MIXED MODES.** Travel using a POC (including on a PCS, a rental vehicle procured at personal expense) and one or more of the following modes:

- 1. Personally-procured commercial transportation (see par. C2203).
- 2. Government-procured commercial transportation,
- 3. Government transportation.

**MOBILE HOME.** A mobile dwelling constructed or converted and intended for use as a permanent residence and designed to be moved, either self-propelled or by towing. It includes a house trailer, a privately owned railcar converted for use as a residence (51 Comp. Gen. 806 (1972)), and a boat an employee uses as the place of principal residence (62 Comp. Gen. 292 (1983)), as well as all HHG and PBP&E contained in the mobile home and owned or intended for use by the employee or dependents.

**MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY DWELLING.** A duplex, triplex or other type of dwelling that is designed to provide separate living quarters for more than one household. The units within the dwellings ordinarily have separate addresses and separate entrances.

**NON-FOREIGN OCONUS AREA.** The States of Alaska and Hawai'i, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and U.S. territories and possessions.

**NON-TEMPORARY STORAGE (NTS).** Long-term HHG storage in lieu of transportation. NTS includes necessary packing, crating, unpacking, uncrating, transportation to and from the storage location(s), storage, and other directly related necessary services. *Also referred to as Extended Storage*.

### **OCONUS.** Outside CONUS.

<u>NOTE</u>: For permanent duty travel purposes with respect to Alaska, Hawai'i, Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the territories and possessions of the United States, or foreign countries and similar geographical localities, an OCONUS place of employment outside the geographical locality in which the actual residence is located.

# OFFICIAL STATION. See PERMANENT DUTY STATION.

**OPEN MESS.** A non-appropriated fund activity providing essential messing, billeting, and recreation for military personnel and their dependents.

# ORDER-ISSUING/AUTHENTICATING OFFICIAL. See AO.

# OVERSEAS. See OCONUS.

**PER DIEM ALLOWANCE.** The per diem allowance (also referred to as subsistence allowance) is a daily payment instead of reimbursement for actual expenses for lodging, meals and related incidental expenses. The per diem allowance is separate from transportation expenses and other miscellaneous expenses. The per diem allowance covers all charges, including taxes (except taxes on lodging in CONUS and in non-foreign OCONUS areas - see NOTE 2 below) and service charges where applicable for:

1. <u>Lodging</u>. Expenses for overnight sleeping facilities; (including Government quarters); baths; personal use of the room during daytime; telephone access fees; and service charges for fans, air conditioners, heaters, fires furnished in rooms when such charges are not included in the room rate, and in foreign OCONUS areas only lodging taxes (see <u>NOTE 2</u> below). <u>NOTE</u>: The term "lodging" does not include expenses for accommodations on airplanes, trains, buses, or ships. An accommodation furnished aboard common carriers is a transportation cost and is not covered by per diem.

<u>NOTE 1</u>: Per diem does not include transportation and other miscellaneous travel expenses.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: The maximum amount allowed for lodging in CONUS and in non-foreign OCONUS areas (see <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>) does not include an amount for lodging taxes. Taxes on lodging in CONUS ands in non-foreign OCONUS areas are a separately reimbursable travel expense. The maximum amount allowed for lodging in foreign OCONUS areas (see <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>) includes an amount for lodging taxes. Taxes on lodging in foreign OCONUS areas are not separately reimbursable.

- 2. <u>Meals</u>. Expenses for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and related taxes and tips. <u>NOTE</u>: Specifically excluded are alcoholic beverage and entertainment expenses, and any expenses incurred for other persons.
- 3. Incidental Expenses. Incidental expenses include:
  - a. Fees and tips to porters, baggage carriers, bellhops, hotel maids, stewards or stewardesses and others on ships, and hotel servants in foreign countries. (See par. C6552, item 4, regarding baggage-handling costs incurred as a direct result of an employee's disability.);
  - b. Transportation (i.e., bus, subway) between places of lodging or duty/business and places where meals are taken, if suitable meals cannot be obtained at the TDY site <u>NOTE</u>: If, in the opinion of the AO, suitable meals cannot be obtained at the TDY site and reimbursement in the incidental expenses for travel to obtain suitable meals is inadequate, reimbursement may be authorized/approved under par. C2402.;
  - c. Laundry, dry-cleaning, and/or pressing of clothing (except when travel is within CONUS and requires at least 4 consecutive nights TDY/PCS lodging in CONUS see NOTE 3 below);
  - d. Telegrams and telephone calls necessary to reserve lodging accommodations;
  - e. Mailing costs associated with filing travel vouchers and payment of Government-sponsored contractor-issued travel charge card billings;
  - f. Potable water and ice (28 Comp. Gen. 627 (1949)); and
  - g. Taxes and service charges on any of the expenses in items 2 through 3f.

<u>NOTE 3</u>: The cost for laundry, dry cleaning and pressing of clothing is a separately reimbursable expense in addition to per diem/AEA when travel is within CONUS and requires at least 4 consecutive nights TDY/PCS lodging in CONUS. The cost for laundry, dry cleaning and pressing of clothing is not a separately reimbursable travel expense for travel OCONUS and is included as an incidental expense within the per diem/AEA authorized/approved for travel OCONUS.

## PER DIEM, REDUCED. See REDUCED PER DIEM.

**PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS).** In general, the assignment, detail, or transfer of an employee to a different PDS under a competent travel authorization that does not specify the duty as temporary, provide for further assignment to a new PDS, or direct return to the old PDS.

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PERMANENT DUTY STATION (PDS). Also called OFFICIAL STATION. The employee's or invitational traveler's permanent work assignment location. For the purpose of determining PCS travel allowances, a PDS is the building or other place (base, post, or activity) where an employee regularly reports for duty. With respect to authorization under these regulations relating to the residence and the HHG and an employee's personal effects, PDS also means the residence or other quarters from (to) which the employee regularly commutes to (and from) work, except where the PDS is in a remote area where adequate family housing is not available within reasonable daily commuting distance. In the latter situation, residence includes the dwelling where the employee's dependents reside or are to reside, but only if such residence reasonably relates to the PDS as determined by the appropriate travel-approving/directing official. For purposes other than PCS travel allowances, a PDS is defined as:

# A. For employees:

- 1. The corporate limits of the city or town in which stationed, or;
- 2. If not stationed in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft Dix)) having definite boundaries in which the employee is stationed. When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, Hawai'i) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky), it is not in either one. The limits of the PDS are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision.

### B. For invitational travelers:

- 1. The corporate limits of the city or town in which the home or principal place of business is located, or
- 2. If not in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix)) having definite boundaries in which the home or principal place of business is located. When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, Hawai'i) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky), it is not in either one. The limits of the PDS are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision.

NOTE: Arlington County, VA, is a PDS. The Pentagon and other Government activities are located in Arlington, VA – even though they have Washington, D.C. mailing addresses (52 Comp. Gen. 751 (1973)). There are seven Districts on the Island of Oahu, Hawai'i. Each of those seven Districts is a separate and unique PDS. (19 Comp. Gen. 602 (1939) and 42 Comp. Gen. 460 (1963)).

**PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL.** First duty station travel for a newly recruited employee or appointee, RAT, PCS travel, and separation travel. (See Chapter 5, Part A.)

# PLACE FROM WHICH CALLED (OR ORDERED) TO ACTIVE DUTY (PLEAD).

1. The place of acceptance in current enlistment, commission, or appointment of members of the regular Services, or of members of the Reserve Components when enlisted, commissioned, or appointed for immediate active duty. For an inductee, it is the location of the local Selective Service Board to which the individual first reported for delivery to the induction station.

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- 2. In the case of a Reserve Component member who is not enlisted, commissioned, or appointed for immediate active duty, the place to which an order to active duty is addressed.
- 3. Effective 1 January 1983: In the case of a non-prior service midshipman or cadet at a Service academy or a civilian college or university, the place where the member attains a military status or where the member enters the Service. <u>NOTE</u>: Generally this is the academic institution and not the member's HOR (60 Comp. Gen. 142 (1980)).

<u>NOTE</u>: The PLEAD changes only if there is a break in service exceeding one full day, in which case it is the place of entry into the new period of service.

# PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION. See ACCOMMODATIONS, PUBLIC.

PLACE OF STORAGE. Residence or authorized storage location.

**PORT CALL.** Official notification or instructions that require a traveler to report for transoceanic transportation. It designates the port of embarkation, identifies the carrier with flight number or sailing assignment, specifies the reporting time and date, and provides instructions relevant to the transportation arrangements.

### PORT OF DEBARKATION.

- 1. Travel by air: the destination airport at which the traveler leaves an international/transoceanic flight.
- 2. Travel by ship: the place at which the traveler leaves a ship after the journey of 24 or more hours.

### PORT OF EMBARKATION.

- 1. Travel by air: the airport at which the traveler boards an international/transoceanic flight.
- 2. Travel by ship: the place at which the traveler boards a ship for a journey of 24 or more hours.

POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES. See "TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES".

POST OF DUTY. (Also see PDS.) An OCONUS PDS.

PREMIUM-CLASS. Travel and accommodations that are:

- 1. First-class. Highest class available. See definition of FIRST-CLASS, or
- 2. Business-class. See definition of BUSINESS-CLASS.

**PRIVATELY OWNED AIRCRAFT.** An aircraft that is owned or leased for personal use. It is not owned, leased, chartered, or rented by a Government agency, nor is it rented or leased for use in carrying out official Government business.

**PRIVATELY OWNED AUTOMOBILE (POA).** A car or light truck (including vans and pickup trucks) that is owned or leased for personal use by an individual.

**PRIVATELY OWNED CONVEYANCE (POC).** (Also see TRANSPORTATION.) Any transportation mode used for the movement of persons from place to place, other than a Government conveyance or common carrier, including a conveyance loaned for a charge to, or rented at personal expense by, an employee for transportation on PCS or TDY when such rental conveyance has not been authorized/approved as a Special Conveyance as provided for in JTR, par. C2102-B. **NOTE:** A common carrier, or a conveyance owned by the Government, is not a POC.

**PRIVATELY OWNED (MOTOR) VEHICLE (POV).** Any motor vehicle owned by, or on a long-term lease (12 or more months) to, an employee or that employee's dependent for the primary purpose of providing personal transportation that:

- 1. Is self-propelled;
- 2. Is licensed to travel on the public highways;
- 3. Is designed to carry passengers or HHG; and
- 4. Has four or more wheels (see NOTE 3 below).

<u>NOTE 1</u>: In the case of a leased vehicle, the employee must provide written authority from the leasing company to have the vehicle transported. All requirements stated in the lease, as well as requirements for POV entry into any location, are the employee's responsibility.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: A trailer, airplane, or any vehicle intended for commercial use is not a POV.

## *NOTE 3*:

- a. <u>CONUS</u>. A motorcycle or moped may be designated as a POV (rather than as HHG) by the employee if the employer determines it is more advantageous and cost effective to the Government to transport POV(s) than to drive to the new PDS.
- b. <u>OCONUS</u>. A motorcycle or moped may be shipped as the POV (rather than as HHG) on the same travel authorization.

**PRIVATIZED HOUSING.** Housing units on or near military installations in the U.S. and its territories and possessions that are acquired or constructed by private persons, under 10 USC §§2871-2885. The Service Secretary determines which privatized housing is suitable for use as military family housing. *Privatized housing is not Government or Government-controlled quarters.* 

**PROFESSIONAL BOOKS, PAPERS, AND EQUIPMENT (PBP&E)**. *(Also called PRO or PRO-Gear.)* Articles of HHG in an employee's possession needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination. Examples include:

- A. Reference material;
- B. Instruments, tools, and equipment peculiar to technicians, mechanics, and members of the professions;
- C. Specialized clothing such as diving suits, astronauts' suits, flying suits and helmets, band uniforms, chaplains' vestments, and other specialized apparel not ordinary or usual uniform or clothing;
- D. Communication equipment used by employees in association with the MARS (see DoDD 4650.2);
- E. Individually owned or specially issued field clothing and equipment;

- F. An official award given to an employee by a Service (or a component thereof) for service performed by the employee in the employee's capacity or by a professional society/organization/U.S. or foreign Government for significant contributions in connection with official duties; and
- G. Personal computers and accompanying equipment used for official Government business (i.e., CPU, monitor, keyboard, mouse, 1 printer, 1 set of small computer speakers).

<u>NOTE</u>: Excluded from PBP&E are sports equipment; and office, household, or shop fixtures or furniture (such as bookcases, study/computer desks, file cabinets, and racks) of any kind even though used in connection with the PBP&E.

**PROPORTIONAL MEAL RATE.** The average of the standard Government meal rate and the meals portion of the applicable M&IE rate (see <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>), rounded to the nearest dollar.

**REDUCED PER DIEM.** A per diem rate, lower than locality per diem, that is authorized by an agency when there are known reductions in lodging and meal costs that can be determined in advance.

**RENEWAL AGREEMENT TRAVEL.** See PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL. Travel and transportation allowance for the purpose of the employee/dependents to return home on leave, between overseas tours of duty. See Chapter 5, Part K, for eligibility and limitations.

## **RESERVE COMPONENT.** The:

- A. Army National Guard of the United States;
- B. Army Reserve;
- C. Naval Reserve;
- D. Marine Corps Reserve;
- E. Air National Guard of the United States;
- F. Air Force Reserve;
- G. Coast Guard Reserve; and
- H. Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service.

**RESIDENCE-TYPE QUARTERS.** Quarters that are not hotel or hotel-like accommodations.

# **SECRETARIAL PROCESS.** Action by the:

- A. Secretary of a Military Department,
- B. Directors of Defense Components,
- C. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Administration) for:
  - 1. Office of the Secretary of Defense,
  - 2. Washington Headquarters Services,

- 3. Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff,
- 4. Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences,
- 5. U.S. Court of Military Appeals, and
- D. Designated representative for any of the above.

The process is (or the processes are) in administrative procedures issued under par. C1002.

**SECRETARY CONCERNED.** As defined in 37 USC. §101(5), the Secretary of:

- A. The Army, with respect to matters concerning the Army;
- B. The Navy, with respect to matters concerning the Navy, the Marine Corps, and the Coast Guard when it is operating as a Service in the Navy;
- C. The Air Force, with respect to matters concerning the Air Force;
- D. Homeland Security, with respect to matters concerning the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy;
- E. Commerce, with respect to matters concerning the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and
- F. Health and Human Services, with respect to matters concerning the Public Health Service.

When this term is used in the JTR, the Secretary concerned may authorize action by the PDTATAC Principal, without further delegation.

SEPARATE DEPARTMENT. See DIFFERENT (OR SEPARATE) DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.

SEPARATION TRAVEL. See PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL.

SERVICES. See UNIFORMED SERVICES.

**SHORT DISTANCE MOVE.** A PCS between PDSs within the same city/area when the new PDS is at least 50 miles from the old PDS. See par. C4108-B for authorization/approval and exceptions to the 50-mile rule.

**SPARE PARTS FOR A POV.** Extra tires, wheels, tire chains, tools, battery chargers, accessories, and those small and usually possessed parts or replacements used for repair and replacement of identical parts subject to normal use and wear (such as extra spark plugs, radiator hoses, fan belts, filters, gaskets, tune-up and repair kits), and items that serve a seasonal, an emergency, or a convenience purpose, such as special seats and beds for children, bottle warmers and similar conveniences, snow and ice removal equipment, auxiliary heaters, and storage boxes.

**SPECIAL CONVEYANCE.** Commercially rented or hired vehicles other than a POC and other than those owned or under contract to an agency.

**SPECIAL NEEDS.** (Also see EMPLOYEE, DISABLED.) Physical characteristics of a traveler not necessarily defined under disability. Such physical characteristics could include the weight or height of the traveler, and similar characteristics.

### STANDARD CONUS PER DIEM RATE.

A. The per diem rate for any CONUS location not included in a defined locality (county/area) in the CONUS per diem rates at <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>. See also par. C4550-E3.

B. The per diem rate for all CONUS locations when PDT is involved.

**STANDARD GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE.** The daily rate charged for meals in a Government dining facility including the operating cost. See definition of "GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE" for current rates.

### SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES. See PER DIEM ALLOWANCE.

**TEACHER.** A civilian who is a citizen of the United States and whose services are required on a school year basis in a teaching position subject to 20 USC §901-907 in the DoD Education Activity System.

**TEMPORARY CHANGE OF STATION (TCS).** The relocation of an employee to a new PDS for a temporary period to perform a long-term temporary assignment, and subsequent return of the employee to the previous PDS after assignment completion.

**TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY).** Duty at one or more locations, away from the PDS, under a travel authorization providing for further assignment or, pending further assignment, to return to the old PDS or to proceed to a new PDS.

### TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) LOCATION. See TEMPORARY DUTY STATION.

**TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) STATION.** A place, away from the PDS, to which the traveler is authorized to travel.

**TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) TRAVEL.** Travel to one or more places away from a PDS to perform duties for a period of time and, upon completion of assignment, return or proceed to a PDS.

**TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES.** Specifically identified Service-operated interim housing facilities that provide short-term housing accommodations for which a charge is levied, without direct charge against the occupants' quarters allowances. They include guesthouses, except transient visiting officer quarters occupied by official visitors to the installation. **NOTE: They do not include facilities used primarily for rest and recuperation purposes, or unaccompanied officer and enlisted quarters.** 

**TEMPORARY STORAGE.** Also referred to as "storage in transit" (SIT). See par. C5190.

**TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.** (As released by the Office of the Geographer and Global Issues, 1 July 1997.)

- A. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, i.e., Saipan, Saipan Lagoon, Tinian, Aquijan, Rota, Farallon De Pajaros (Uracas), Maug, Asuncion, Agrihan, Pagan, Alamagan, Zealandia Banks, Guguan, Sarigan, Anatathan, Farallon De Medinilla, Esmeralda Banks, and Northern Islands Sanctuary. (Island names from website: www.saipan.com).
- B. Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
- C. American Samoa
- D. Baker Island

- E. Guam
- F. Howland Island
- G. Jarvis Island
- H. Johnston Atoll
- I. Kingman Reef
- J. Midway Islands
- K. Navassa Island
- L. Palmyra Atoll
- M. Virgin Islands
- N. Wake Island

TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES. (Also see TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.) An incorporated or unincorporated territory over which the United States exercises sovereignty, an area at times referred to as a dependent area or possession, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. NOTE: "Incorporated" territories refer to any areas that Congress has "incorporated" into

the United States by making the Constitution applicable thereto. "Unincorporated" territories refer to any territories to which the Constitution has not been expressly and fully extended.

**TRANSOCEANIC TRAVEL.** Travel that, if performed by surface means of commercial transportation over a usually traveled route, requires the use of oceangoing ships.

**TRANSPORTATION.** The means of moving people or things (particularly HHG) from one place to another.

**TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES.** The costs related to transportation. (See Chapter 4, Part O.)

**TRANSPORTATION, HHG.** The shipment, packing, crating, drayage, temporary storage, uncrating, and unpacking of HHG at Government expense. NOTE: Includes special technical servicing to prepare household appliances for safe transport and use at destination (not connecting or disconnecting).

**TRANSPORTATION-IN-KIND.** Transportation provided by the Government without cost to the traveler. It includes transportation by Government aircraft, ship, or vehicle, and Government-procured transportation via commercial carriers.

TRANSPORTATION, POV. Transportation by ship, including port-handling charges, to, from, and between OCONUS ports.

NOTE 1: The term does not include land transportation to or from such ports, except when transportation of a POV is authorized by 5 USC \$5564 and is in accordance with Service regulations.

NOTE 2: Customs and other fees and charges required to effect entry of a POV into a country are not part of transportation. They are the employee's responsibility.

**TRANSPORTATION REQUEST.** A written request of the United States Government to procure, from a common carrier, transportation, accommodations, or other services chargeable to the Government, in connection with official travel. <u>NOTE</u>: GTRs may be issued and used only for official travel. They must not be issued or used for personal travel on a reimbursable basis.

**TRANSPORTATION TERMINAL.** A transportation terminal is a common carrier or Government transportation (air, rail, bus, or ship) terminal, station, airport, or wharf. It includes a rental car pick-up or drop-off point if rental car is the transportation mode to and from the TDY location.

**TRANSPORTATION, USUAL MODE OF.** A transportation mode that is authorized, required, or furnished for usual travel by direct route, including common carrier facilities within CONUS or commercial and Government transportation facilities overseas that would be used for travel by the most direct usually traveled route between points of official travel.

**TRAVEL.** The term "travel" relates to movement of persons from place to place and includes authority to the use of quarters facilities, allowances, and certain transportation and reimbursable expenses incidental to travel, subject to conditions and limitations in this Volume.

**TRAVEL-APPROVING/DIRECTING OFFICIAL.** Individuals who direct and approve/disapprove travel requests and vouchers prior to claim settlement. They ensure the necessity and justification for travel authorizations.

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**TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION.** (Also referred to as a travel order.) A written instrument issued or approved by person(s) to whom authority has been delegated authorizing a traveler or group of travelers to travel. There are four basic types travel authorizations:

- A. <u>Unlimited Open</u>. This is a form of blanket travel authorization allowing an employee to travel anywhere on official business without further authorization for a specified period of time within a fiscal year. See <u>NOTE</u> below for restrictions.
- B. <u>Limited Open</u>. This is a form of blanket travel authorization allowing an employee to travel on official business without further authorization under certain specific conditions, i.e., travel to specific geographic area(s) for specific purpose(s), subject to trip cost ceilings, or for specific periods of time within a fiscal year. See <u>NOTE</u> below for restrictions.
- C. <u>Repeat</u>. This is a form of blanket travel authorization allowing an employee to travel on official business without further authorization to a specific destination for a specified period of time within a fiscal year. See <u>NOTE</u> below for restrictions.
- D. <u>Trip-by-trip</u>. A travel authorization allowing an individual or group of individuals to take one or more specific official business trips, which must include specific purpose, itinerary, and estimated costs.

<u>NOTE</u>: Unlimited Open, Limited Open, and Repeat Travel Authorizations (also called Blanket Travel Authorizations) are not used in DTS. The blanket travel authorization type is restricted to economy-class travel authorization. If premium-class transportation becomes necessary for a specific trip, an amendment to the travel for each such trip must be issued.

**TRAVEL CLAIM (VOUCHER).** A written request, supported by documentation and receipts where applicable, for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the performance of any official travel.

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# TRAVEL, EMERGENCY. Travel that results from:

- A. The traveler becoming incapacitated by illness or injury not due to personal misconduct;
- B. The death or serious illness of a member of the traveler's family; or
- C. A catastrophic occurrence or impending disaster, such as fire, flood, or act of God, that directly affects the traveler's home.

**TRAVEL, INVITATIONAL.** Authorized travel of individuals either not employed by the Government, or employed (under 5 USC §5703) intermittently in the Government service as consultants or experts and paid on a daily when-actually-employed basis. It is also used for individuals serving without pay or at \$1 a year when they are acting in a capacity that is directly related to, or in connection with, official Government activities. Travel and transportation allowances authorized for these persons are the same as those ordinarily authorized for civilian employees in connection with TDY, except as provided by par. C4562-D for interview travel and by par. A, item 13 of Appendix E, Part I. See Appendix E.

**TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS).** (FTR §301-73.100-103) A system to arrange travel services for Federal travelers on official travel, including reservation of accommodations and ticketing. A TMS includes a travel management center, CTO, and an electronic travel management system or other commercial method of arranging travel.

**TRAVEL**, **OFFICIAL**. Authorized travel solely in connection with business of the DoD or the Government.

<u>NOTE 1</u>: Official travel may be performed within or in the vicinity of a PDS; to or from the actual residence to, from, or between PDSs; and to, from, at, and between TDY assignment locations.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: Travel and delays for personal reasons or convenience, by circuitous route, by transportation modes other than authorized/approved, for additional distances, or to places in connection with personal business is not official travel. Nonofficial travel status affects allowances, reimbursements, and pay status.

**TRAVEL REQUEST.** A written statement for travel authorization that includes information regarding personnel, mission, pertinent dates or assignment period, transportation modes, allowances, limitations, special approval or instructions, justifications if necessary, and fund and accounting citation.

**TRAVEL-REQUESTING OFFICIAL.** The individual who initiates the request for a travel authorization and who has full knowledge of the purpose of, and requirements for, the travel mission. DoD components may permit travelers to be travel-requesting officials for their own travel authorizations. However when travelers are permitted to be travel-requesting officials for their own travel authorizations, under no circumstances may the travel-requesting official also be the travel-approving/directing and/or AO for the travel. **NOTE:** A travel request is subject to approval/disapproval by a travel-approving/directing official.

**TRAVEL STATUS.** The employee's status for the elapsed period of time from the beginning to the end of official travel in compliance with the authority in a travel authorization, including time en route waiting for transportation connections and delays en route beyond the control of the traveler.

### UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE, See BAGGAGE, UNACCOMPANIED.

**UNIFORMED SERVICES.** The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps, and Public Health Service.

Change 474 4/1/05 **UNIT**. A military element whose structure is prescribed by competent authority, such as in a table of organization and equipment.

**UNITED STATES.** The 50 states and the District of Columbia.

**U.S. FLAG AIR CARRIER.** A U.S. flag air carrier that holds a certificate under 49 USC §41102 and that is authorized either by the carrier's certificate or by exemption or regulation. U.S. flag air carrier service also includes service provided under a code share agreement with a foreign air carrier in accordance with Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) when the ticket, or documentation for an electronic ticket, identifies the U.S. flag air carrier's designator code and flight number.

**U.S. INSTALLATION.** A base, post, yard, camp or station:

- A. Under the local command of a uniformed service,
- B. With permanent or semi-permanent-type troop shelters and a Government mess, and
- C. Where there are U.S. Government operations.

<u>NOTE</u>: This term includes only that area actually occupied by those operations (plus the minimum surrounding area necessary for close-in security) and excludes contracted hotels not contained on and operated by the installation.

**WARD.** A person, especially an infant, placed by authority of law under the care of a guardian.

WEIGHT ADDITIVE. See HOUSEHOLD GOODS-WEIGHT ADDITIVE.

# APPENDIX A

# **DEFINITIONS**

### **PART II: ACRONYMS**

AEA Actual Expense Allowance AMC Air Mobility Command

AO Authorizing/Order-Issuing Official

AOR Area of Responsibility
ATM Automated Teller Machine

BAH Basic Allowance for Housing (formerly BAQ and VHA)

BAS Basic Allowance for Subsistence
CBA Centrally-billed Account
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
CMTR Combined Marginal Tax Rate
COLA Cost-of-Living Allowance
CONUS Continental United States

COSTEP Commissioned Officer Student and Extern Program

CSRS Civil Service Retirement System
CTD Civilian Travel Determination

CTO (Contracted) Commercial Travel Offices

CWT Hundred weight

DDESS Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary School

DOD Department of Defense

DODDS Department of Defense Dependents Schools
DODEA Department of Defense Education Activity
DOHA Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals

DOJ Department of Justice

DSSR Department of State Standardized Regulations

DTOD Defense Table of Official Distances
DTR Defense Transportation Regulations

DTS Defense Travel System
EUM Essential Unit Messing
EVT Emergency Visitation Travel
FAM Foreign Affairs Manual

FAST Federal Automated System for Travel
FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency
FEML Funded Environmental and Morale Leave
FERS Federal Employees Retirement System
FHA Federal Housing Administration
FTA Foreign Transfer Allowance

FTR Federal Travel Regulation FTS Federal Telecommunications System

FVT Family Visitation Travel FWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

FUTA Federal Unemployment Tax Allowance

FWTR Federal Withholding Tax Rate GAO General Accounting Office

GARS Government Administrative Rate Supplement

GMR Government Meal Rate

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GSA General Services Administration

GSBCA General Services Administration Board of Contract Appeals

GTR Government Transportation Request (SF 1169)

HHG Household Goods
HHT House Hunting Trip
HOR Home of Record

\*HSTA Home Service Transfer Allowance
IBA Individually-billed Account
IRC Internal Revenue Code
IRS Internal Revenue Service
ITO Installation Transportation Officer

ITRA Income Tax Reimbursement Allowance
JFTR Joint Federal Travel Regulations

JTF Joint Task Force
JTR Joint Travel Regulations
LWOP Leave without Pay

M&IE Meals and Incidental Expenses

MALT Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation

MALT PLUS Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation Plus Flat Per Diem (PDT Travel)

MARS Military Affiliate Radio System
MEA Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

MIA Missing in Action

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

MRE Meal-Ready-To-Eat
MSC Military Sealift Command
MTR Marginal Tax Rate

NIST National Institute of Standards and Technology

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Same as USNOAA)

NTE Not to exceed

NTS Non-temporary Storage
O&M Operations and Management
OCONUS Outside the Continental United States

OGE Office of Government Ethics
OMB Office of Management and Budget
OPM Office of Personnel Management
OSD Office of the Secretary of Defense

PBP&E Professional Books, Papers and Equipment (also referred to as PRO-Gear)

PCS Permanent Change of Station
PD Per Diem Determination
PDS Permanent Duty Station
PDT Permanent Duty Travel

PDTATAC Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee

PHS Public Health Service (Same as USPHS)

PIN Personal Identification Number
PITI Principal, Interest, Taxes and Insurance

PLEAD Place from Which Entered (or Called) to Active Duty

PMR Proportional Meal Rate
POA Privately Owned Automobile
POC Privately Owned Conveyance

PoC Point of Contact

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POD Port of Debarkation
POE Port of Embarkation
POV Privately Owned Vehicle

POW Prisoner of War

PRO-Gear Professional Gear (also referred to as PBP&E)

PTA Prepaid Ticket Advice
RAT Renewal Agreement Travel
RIT Relocation Income Tax
SEA Subsistence Expense Allowance

SDDC (Military) Surface Deployment and Distribution Command

SES Senior Executive Service SIT Storage in Transit

SMA Separate Maintenance Allowance SR&R Special Rest and Recuperative Absence SROTC Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

SSN Social Security Number
STB Surface Transportation Board
STS Specialized Treatment Services
TCS Temporary Change of Station
TDRL Temporary Disability Retired List

TDY Temporary Duty

TLA Temporary Lodging Allowance
TLE Temporary Lodging Expense
TMC Travel Management Centers
TMS Travel Management System

TQSA Temporary Quarters Subsistence Allowance TQSE Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses

TQSE(AE) Actual Expense Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses
TQSE(F) Fixed Amount Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses

UN United Nations
U.S. United States
USC United States Code

USNOAA United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (same as NOAA)

USPHS United States Public Health Service (same as PHS)

USSM Under Secretary of State for Management

VA Department of Veterans Affairs
VPC Vehicle Processing Center
WAE When Actually Employed
WTA Withholding Tax Allowance

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# APPENDIX B

# OCONUS MAXIMUM PER DIEM RATES

For current per diem rates, please see the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee website at:

https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html

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# STATUTORY AND OTHER AUTHORITIES

# **PART I: EXECUTIVE ORDER**

For *Executive Order 11609*, 22 July 1971:

- 1. see http://www.nara.gov/fedreg/codific/cod\_eo14.html, and
- 2. click on '11609'.

# PART II: DEPARMENT OF DEFENSE INSTRUCTION

For *Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 1000.1*, Identity Cards Required by the Geneva Conventions:

- 1. see <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/ins1.html">http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/ins1.html</a>,
- 2. select '1000.1', and
- 3. select a format for viewing and/or printing the Instruction.

For an edited extract of DoDI 1000.1 - Table of Military and Civilian Equivalent Grades for Prisoner of War Identification, see the table on the following pages.

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# \*Table of Military and Civilian Equivalent Grades for Prisoner of War Identification

Required by Articles 43 and 60 of the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of August 12, 1949

•			Navy			
Geneva Convention Military			Coast Guard			
Category	Grade	Army	National Oceanographic	Air	Marine	
1	Group		And Atmospheric Administration	Force 3C	Corps	
1	2	3A	3B	3C	3D	
V						
G 1000	O-10	General	Admiral	General	General	
General Officers.	O-9	Lieutenant General	Vice Admiral	Lieutenant General	Lieutenant General	
Prisoners of War	O-8 O-7	Major General	Rear Admiral (upper half)	Major General	Major General	
of Equivalent Rank	0-7	Brigadier General	Rear Admiral (lower half) Commodore	Brigadier General	Brigadier General	
IV						
Majors, Lt. Colonels.	O-6	Colonel	Captain	Colonel	Colonel	
Colonels, Prisoners	O-5	Lt. Colonel	Commander	Lt. Colonel	Lt. Colonel	
of War of Equivalent	O-4	Major	Lt. Commander	Major	Major	
Rank						
III						
	O-3	Captain	Lieutenant	Captain	Captain	
Warrant Officers.	O-2	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	Lieutenant (J.G.)	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	
Commissioned Officers	O-1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	Ensign	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	
Below Major, and	777.4	CI : CYY	CI : CTV	CI CIV	CI CIV	
Prisoners of War of	W-4	Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant Chief Warrant	
Equivalent Rank	W-3 W-2	Chief Warrant Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant	Chief Warrant	
	W-2 W-1	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	
II	VV-1	Warrant Officer	warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer	
11	E-9	Command Sgt. Maj.	Master Chief Petty Officer	Chief Master Sgt.	Sergeant Major	
Sergeants and Other		Sergeant Major	Musici Cine I etty Cine	Ciner Musici Sgr.	Master Gunnery Sgt.	
Non-commissioned	E-8	First Sergeant M/Sgt	Senior Chief Petty Officer	Senior Master Sgt.	First Sergeant	
Officers. Prisoners			,		Master Sergeant	
of War of Equivalent	E-7	Sergeant 1/c	Chief Petty Officer	Master Sergeant	Gunnery Sergeant	
Rank		Specialist 7				
	E-6	Staff Sergeant	Petty Officer 1/c	Tech Sergeant	Staff Sergeant	
	F. 5	Specialist 6	B # 055 24	G, CC G		
	E-5	Sergeant Specialist 5	Petty Officer 2/c	Staff Sergeant	Sergeant	
T		Specialist 5				
I	E-4	Corporal	Petty Officer 3/c	Sergeant	Corporal	
Prisoners Ranking	E-4	Specialist 4	retty Officer 5/C	Sergeant	Corporal	
Below Sergeant	E-3	Private 1/c	Seaman	Airman 1/c	Lance Corporal	
Delow beigeant		111,000 1/0	Scannan	7 III III 1/C	Lance Corporar	
	E-2	Private	Seaman Apprentice	Airman	Private First Class	
	E-1	Private	Seaman Recruit	Airman Recruit	Private	

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# Table of Military and Civilian Equivalent Grades for Prisoner of War Identification (Continued)

Required by Articles 43 and 60 of the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of August 12, 1949

Geneva Convention Category	Military	Army	Public	Civilian Grade Groups			American			Civilian
	Grade Group	Others on Reverse	Health Service	General Schedule	Federal Wage System	Teacher	Red Cross	USO		ID Cards
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		9	10
V	O-10, O-9	General, Lt. General							Ī	V
General Officers. Prisoners of War of Equivalent Rank	O-8	Major General	Surgeon General Deputy Surgeon General	SES, SL, ST		• • •		Executive Director		General Officer
	O-7	Brigadier General	Assistant Surgeon General		• • •	• • •	31			
of War of Equivalent Rank	O-6	Colonel	Medical Director	GS-15	Ships Pilots		28-29	te	ပ	IV
	O-5	Lt. Colonel	Senior Surgeon	GS-14 GS-13	WS-14 thru WS-19 WL-15, and Production Support Equivalents	• • •	25-27	USO Staff Executives: Appropriate Equivalent Rate	USO Staff Entertainers: Appropriate Equivalent Rate	Field Grade Officer
	O-4	Major	Surgeon	GS-12		Class IV, V	24		USO Staff Entertainer Appropriat Equivalent	
Warrant Officers. Commissioned Officers Below Major, and Prisoners of War of Equivalent Rank	O-3	Captain	Senior Asst. Surgeon	GS-11 GS-10	WS-8 thru WS-13 WL-6 thru WL-14 WG-12 thru WG-15 WP-17, 18 and Production Support Equivalents	Class I. steps 5-15 II, III	21-23	USO Staf Appropri		III
	O-2	First Lieutenant	Assistant Surgeon	GS-9 GS-8		Class 1, steps 3, 4	20-19			Company Grade
	W-4 W-3	Chief Warrant Officers, W4, W3	• • • •							Officer
	O-1	Second Lieutenant	Jr. Asst. Surgeon				18			
	W-2 W-1	Chief Warrant officer W2, Warrant Officer	• • •	GS-7		Class I, steps 1, 2				
Sergeants and Other Non-commissioned Officers. Prisoners of War of Equivalent Rank	E-9, E-8	Sergeant Major Master Sergeant	• • •	GS-6	WS-1 thru WS-7 WL-1 thru WL-5 WG-9 thru WG-11 WP-11 thru WP-16		17 - 15			II
	E-7	Sergeant First Class							Non-Com	
	E-6	Staff Sergeant		GS-5						
	E-5	Sergeant								
I	E-4	Corporal		GS-4	WG-1 thru WG-8 WP-4 thru WP-10					I
Prisoners Ranking Below Sergeant	E-1 E-3	Other Enlisted Ranks		GS-3 Thru GS-1					• • •	Enlisted

# APPENDIX D

# **CONUS MAXIMUM PER DIEM RATES**

For current per diem rates, please see the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee website at:

https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html

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#### APPENDIX E

# INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

<u>JFTR NOTE</u>: Travel and transportation allowances under Invitational Travel Authorizations are prescribed in JTR, Appendix E, for the DoD Services and in agency regulations for non-DoD Services. The Invitational Travel Authorization provisions in JTR, Appendix E, are reproduced in JFTR, Appendix E, for convenience. See Part I, Invitation to Travel, paragraph D, for information concerning travel by a contractor and a contractor's employees.

# PART I: INVITATION TO TRAVEL

<b>Paragraph</b>	<u>Contents</u>
A.	To Whom and When Invitational Travel is Applicable
B.	Restrictions
C.	Allowance Expenses
D.	Travel of Government Contractor's/Contractor Employees
E.	Availability of Government Travel and Transportation Contract Fares or Prices to Government
	Contractors

# PART II: SAMPLE FORMAT INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

#### PART I: INVITATION TO TRAVEL

#### A. To Whom and when Invitational Travel is Applicable

- 1. Invitational travel is the term applied to authorize travel of individuals:
  - a. Not employed by the Government,
  - b. Employed (under 5 USC §5703) intermittently by the Government as consultants or experts and paid on a daily when-actually-employed basis, or
  - c. Serving without pay or at \$1 a year

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\*when they are acting in a capacity that is related directly to, or in connection with, official DoD activities. Travel and transportation allowances authorized for these individuals are the same as those ordinarily authorized for employees on TDY, except as provided by item A2m of this paragraph for spouse invitational travel.

- 2. Invitational travel may be authorized by use of an ITA when:
  - a. It is in the Service's interest to invite a college or university official or a representative of industry to observe the work performed or the operations of an activity;
  - b. An individual is requested to lecture, instruct, or give a demonstration at an activity in connection with a DoD operation or program;
  - c. An individual, singly or as part of a group, confers on an official DoD matter with DoD officials and thereby performs a direct service to the DoD, such as providing advice or guidance; (ITAs are not authorized for individuals merely to attend a meeting or conference, even if hosted by a DoD component on a matter related to the component's official business (see 55 Comp. Gen. 750 (1976));
  - d. An individual's attendance at an incentive award ceremony is related to an award presentation (32 Comp. Gen. 134 (1952)); (Travel and transportation to an award presentation for a dependent or relative of an award recipient is prohibited except as authorized under par. C-5);
  - e. An individual is an attendant for a handicapped employee or Uniformed Service member who is to be given an OPM award, a major department or agency award, or a non-Federally sponsored honor award and who would be unable to attend the award ceremony unattended (55 Comp. Gen. 800 (1976));
  - f. An individual's attendance is for the purpose of serving as a sponsor or in a similar official ceremony that is related directly to DoD interests;
  - g. An individual is authorized pre-employment interview travel under JTR, par. C6200;
  - h. Individuals are serving without compensation on Boards of Visitors as provided for in Departmental governing regulations consistent with statutory authority;

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i. A witness is called to testify in administrative proceedings directed against a Government civilian employee or Uniformed Service member in adverse action type cases. The testimony can be on the Government's behalf or on behalf of the civilian employee or the Uniformed Service member. The presiding hearing officer must determine that the testimony of the witness is substantial, material, and necessary for a proper disposition of the case and that an affidavit from the desired witness cannot accomplish the same objective adequately;

- j. An individual is called to testify as a witness at a pretrial investigation conducted under Article 32, Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 USC §832;
- k. Attendance as a complainant at an administrative hearing when the complaint is related to the complainant's Federal employment, the hearing is provided for by applicable Federal employment regulations, and it would be unreasonable to require the complainant to appear at personal expense (B-180469, 28 February 1974);
- l. When an individual is an attendant for a/an:
  - (1) Disabled employee on official travel (56 Comp. Gen. 661 (1977)); or
  - (2) Employee who interrupts TDY because of incapacitated illness or injury (JTR, par. C6454); and the employee is incapable of traveling alone;

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- \*m. Travel is for a family member and all pertinent conditions in items (1) through (5) are met before allowances are authorized/approved:
  - (1) The AO determines that a dependent may travel with the sponsor, at Government expense, to attend an unquestionably official function in which the dependent participates in an official capacity, or the travel is of national interest because of a diplomatic or public relations benefit to the U.S. Participation ordinarily is limited to spouses and is representational in nature.
  - (2) Travel is allowed on a mission noninterference basis only, and must be supported with ITAs that ordinarily authorize reimbursement of only transportation costs.
  - (3) The AO may authorize/approve transportation, per diem and/or other actual expense allowances if the individual's travel is mission essential and there is a benefit for DoD beyond fulfilling a representational role.
  - (4) Code 2 civilians, 4-star general/flag officers, and certain 3-star general/flag officers serving as OCONUS or combined commanders (as specified in DoD 4515.13-R, "Air Transportation Eligibility"), may authorize/approve transportation, per diem, and/or other expense allowances for their spouses on a case-by-case basis using the criteria in DoDD 4500.56, DoD Policy on the Use of Government Aircraft and Air Travel. This authority does not constitute blanket approval authority.
  - (5) AOs for all other travel under this item are the:
    - (a) Office of the Secretary of Defense Executive Secretary for SAM and OSA support for requests from OSD, the Defense Agencies, and outside the DoD;

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- (b) Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, or designee, for requests from the Joint Staff;
- (c) Commanders of Combatant Commands, or their designees, for requests from members and employees within their commands. (When joint or dual-hatted personnel are traveling on behalf of their joint commands, approval must be obtained through their joint command approval authority and not through their individual Service channels. This authority may be further delegated in writing, but may not be delegated below the Major Command Chief of Staff or equivalent level for travel requests from DoD senior officials. <u>NOTE</u>: Major Commands are those ordinarily commanded by 4-star flag officers.);
- (d) Secretaries of the Military Departments, or their designees, for requests from their staffs;
- (e) Service Chiefs, or their designees, for requests from members and employees within their Services (This authority may be further delegated in writing, but may not be delegated below the Major Command Chief of Staff or equivalent level for travel requests from DoD senior officials.).

An ITA issued under the authority of this item, that authorizes Government-funded transportation only (i.e., no per diem or actual expense allowances) for the dependent, must include the following statement: "This travel authorization authorizes the dependent to accompany the sponsor to attend an official function. It does not authorize per diem or other expense allowances for the dependent. If the dependent does not want to bear the expenses ordinarily reimbursed through per diem or other expense allowances, this travel authorization is canceled":

- n. A determination is made using the Secretarial Process for personnel within that department, or by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or designated representative for personnel assigned to the Joint Staff and Combatant commands that the spouse of a civilian employee or uniformed member may travel at Government expense to attend a Service-endorsed training course or briefing and subsequent voluntary service incident to such training or briefing (71 Comp. Gen. 6 (1991)); or
- o. Travel is by an individual who serves as an organ donor for a Uniformed Services member, when the donation is authorized under Service regulations;

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p. Travel allowances are authorized for Defense Personnel of Developing Countries in accordance with JFTR, par. U7970; *NOTE: The ITA should state "JFTR vice JTR allowances are used."* 

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- q. A Coalition Liaison Officer from a developing country is authorized travel and transportation allowances in accordance with JFTR, par. U7980. *NOTE: The ITA should state "JFTR vice JTR allowances are used."*
- B. Restrictions. Invitational travel must not be authorized for:
  - 1. Non-appropriated fund officials or employees traveling on non-appropriated fund business;
  - 2. Contractor employees (except as provided in par. D);
  - 3. Transportation of dependents and/or HHG or other property of individuals for whom ITAs are issued;

# 4. Either of the following:

- a. Federal Government employees; or
- b. Uniformed Services members, excluding retired persons (Federal employees and Uniformed members on active duty are given regular TDY travel authorizations unless authorized pre-employment interview travel under par. C6200 and employee/member is in a leave status during such travel (B-219046, 29 September 1986)). An employee/member may be included on an ITA issued to a patient when traveling as a non-medical attendant.

#### C. Allowance Expenses

- 1. <u>General</u>. An ITA provides for travel and transportation of an individual from the business place or home to the place where that individual's services are required, and return to the origin point.
- 2. <u>Transportation Modes</u>. Authorization of transportation modes, routing, and accommodations should be consistent with the provisions in JTR, Chapter 2 as appropriate to mission requirements.
- 3. Witness at a Military Court martial. A person not in the Government's employ, when called as a witness before a military court martial (except to testify as a witness at a pretrial investigation conducted under Article 32, Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 USC §832; see par. A-10), is authorized travel and transportation allowances under Service administrative regulations.
- 4. Participants in Annual National Matches Sponsored under 10 USC §4312. Title 10, USC §4312 authorizes payment of a mileage allowance to civilian competitors while traveling to and from the National Matches. The mileage allowance for the return trip may be paid in advance. Provisions for payment of the travel allowances are in AR 920-30. The ITAs also may authorize a subsistence allowance for the duration of the competition. The rate of the allowances is set by the Director for Civilian Marksmanship and stated in the ITA issued to each competitor.
- 5. <u>Attendance at an Award Ceremony</u>. Reimbursement for travel and transportation expenses ordinarily may be allowed for one individual to attend a major award ceremony (for example, a Presidential award ceremony, an annual award ceremony of the agency or major organizational component, or a prestigious honorary award ceremony sponsored by a non-Federal organization) provided the:
  - a. Travel and transportation is authorized by the head of the DoD component concerned or designee; and,
  - b. Individual is a person of the award recipient's choosing who is related by blood or affinity or whose close association with the award winner is the equivalent of a family relationship.

The reimbursement authorized in this paragraph is intended to cover instances, in which the award winner and guest are geographically distant from the site of the ceremony, rather than in instances in which the award winner's residence is in the same area as the ceremony. (For example: The award winner and spouse live in Denver, CO, and the ceremony is in Washington, DC. Travel and transportation allowances may be authorized for both the winner and spouse.) Reimbursement under this paragraph also may be authorized if the guest must travel from a location geographically distant from the ceremony site but different from the award winner's location. The DoD component concerned may allow attendance at Government expense of more than one individual when the award winner requires assistance because of a handicapping condition. Reimbursement for transportation is limited to direct travel to and from the location of the ceremony (including travel between common carrier terminals and hotel where applicable and the site of the ceremony). Per diem is allowed for direct travel to and from the location of the award ceremony and for the day of the ceremony.

6. <u>Travel of DoD Education Agency (DoDEA) Students for Academic Competitions and Co-curricular Activities</u>. See JTR, par. C7005 and JFTR, par. U5243-D.

- 7. <u>Travel and Transportation for Funeral Honors Detail</u>. A person not in the Government employ, who participates in funeral honors detail for a veteran (see 10 USC §1491), may be authorized transportation or transportation reimbursement and expenses. The transportation mode used should be the least costly mode available that adequately meets the needs of the detail. *Actual expenses, and not a mileage allowance, may be paid when a POC is the authorized mode.* Reimbursement for POC actual expenses is limited to: fuel; oil; parking; ferry fares; road, bridge and tunnel tolls. The actual cost of lodging and meals may be reimbursed up to the per diem rate prescribed for the area concerned. Reimbursement for miscellaneous expenses in par. C1410 may be authorized/approved.
- D. <u>Travel of Government Contractor's/Contractor Employees</u>. Travel costs of Government contractors and contractor employees are governed by the rules in the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) § 31.205-46, available at <a href="http://www.arnet.gov/far/pdfframe.html">http://www.arnet.gov/far/pdfframe.html</a>. ITAs may not be used to authorize travel and transportation for Government contractors/contractor employees. Government contractors and contractor employees are not Government employees and are not eligible under any circumstances for city-pair airfares (see Appendix P) or any travel-related items restricted to Government employees. See par. E below for availability of contract fares and prices to Government contractors. Individuals providing a service under a contract with the Government should be provided a "Contractor Letter of Identification" described in par. E-8.
- E. <u>Availability of Government Travel and Transportation Contract Fares or Prices to Government Contractors</u>. Individual contracts or agreements between GSA and the vendors determine whether or not contractors are eligible to utilize the travel cost saving programs. *Contract city-pair fares must not be provided to or used by Government contractors*.
  - 1. Contractor(s) means contractors working:
    - a. Under a cost reimbursement contract; and
    - b. For the Government at specific sites under special arrangements with the contracting agency, and that are wholly Federally funded (e.g., Government-owned, contractor operated, federally funded research and development, or management and operating contracts).
  - 2. <u>Contract Air Passenger Transportation Practices</u>. Use of GSA contract air passenger fares is governed by GSA's contracts with the airlines and by the Defense Transportation Regulation (DoD 4500.9-R), Part I, Chapter 103. As of 1 October 1998, under GSA's contracts for air passenger transportation services, contractors are not eligible to use GSA's contract city-pair fares. ITAs must not be issued for Contractors at the Government contract fare, nor should contractor travel be issued on Government centrally billed accounts at the Government contract fare. For more information contact:

Services Acquisition Center (FCXB) Federal Supply Service General Services Administration Washington, DC 20406 (703) 305-7261

3. <u>Discount Rail Service</u>. AMTRAK voluntarily offers discounts to Federal travelers on official business. These discounted rates may be extended to eligible contractors traveling on official Government business. A contractor-issued letter of identification is required (see subpar. 8).

4. <u>Discount Hotel/Motel Practices</u>. Several thousand lodging providers extend discount-lodging rates to federal travelers. Many currently extend their discount rates to eligible contractors traveling on official Government business. A contractor-issued letter of identification is required (see subpar. 8). For more information contact:

GSA Travel and Transportation (9FBT-1) 450 Golden Gate Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor W San Francisco, CA 94102 (415) 522-4671

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\*5. <u>DoD Car Rental Practices</u>. DoD's Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC) negotiates special rate agreements with car rental companies available to all Government employees while traveling on official Government business. Some car rental companies offer these discount rates to eligible Government contractors at the vendor's option, with appropriate identification from the contracting DoD component (see par. 8). For more information contact:

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\*Commander, Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command ATTN: SDDC-IP
Hoffman Building II, Room 10S67
200 Stovall Street
Alexandria, VA 22332-5000
(703) 428-3270/1, DSN (312) 328-3270/1
Complaints/Discrepancies/Claims (703) 428-3008

or see the SDDC website at http://www.sddc.army.mil.

- 6. <u>Vendor Requirements</u>. The entity providing the service may require that the Government authorized contractor furnish a letter of identification signed by the authorizing DoD component's contracting officer. Paragraph 8 illustrates a standard letter of identification to request eligible Government contractors' use of and/or transportation discounts negotiated by the Government, where available.
- 7. <u>DoD Component Responsibilities</u>. DoD components should know which hotels and car rental companies offer Government discount rates to Government contractors and ensure that their authorized contractors know how to obtain this information. This information is provided to and published by several commercial publications including the Official Airline Guides Official Traveler (800) DIAL-OAG, Innovata (800) 846-6742, and National Telecommunications (201) 928-1900. In addition, GSA contract Travel Management Centers (TMCs) and DoD's (Contracted) Commercial Travel Offices (CTOs) have this information.

All DoD components should circulate this information to contracting officers and to Government authorized contractors, where applicable. For more information contact:

Renita Townsend Nowlin Service Acquisition Center Service Contracts Division (FCXB) Crystal Mall #4, Room 506 Washington, DC 20406 (703) 305-7640

8. Contractor Letter of Identification. DoD components should furnish Government contractors with the following identification letter, for presentation to AMTRAK, hotel/motel, car rental firms and/or use of DoD facilities (when permitted) upon request. It should be noted, however, that the vendors are under no obligation to extend the discounted Government rates to contractors working on behalf of the Federal Government. Letters of identification/introduction must not contain any accounting information/data or in any way be made to resemble an official travel authorization.

#### OFFICIAL AGENCY LETTERHEAD

TO: Participating Vendor

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS

(FULL NAME OF TRAVELER), the bearer of this letter, is an employee of (COMPANY NAME) which has a Government contract number (CONTRACT NUMBER) with this agency. Government contractors and Government contractor employees are not eligible for Government Contract City Pair airfares. During the period of the contract (GIVE DATES), AMTRAK, hotels/motels and rental car companies may elect to provide transportation, lodging and rental cars to contractors and contractor employees at discounted rates specified for Government employees in Government contracts and/or agreements. AMTRAK, hotels/motels and rental car companies, however, are under no obligation to extend the discounted Government rates to contractors working on behalf of the Federal Government.

SIGNATURE, Title and telephone number of Contracting Officer

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# \*PART II: SAMPLE FORMAT INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

The sample format below may be used as a guide (for all Services) to prepare an ITA. *Use of the sample format is not mandatory.* 

## INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Name	TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION NUMBER
Address	
DATE APPROVED	
You are invited to depart from	
in sufficient time to arrive at	by
for approximately days. Upon	on completion, you shall return to the point of origin.
You are authorized to travel by: Rail See below for travel by Privately-Owned	☐ Commercial Air ☐ Military Aircraft ☐ Bus d Conveyance
☐ The authorizing/order-issuing agent l	has arranged Transportation.
☐ Transportation tickets are includ ☐ Transportation tickets shall be pr	
your possession is lost or stolen, you mi are required to pay for a replacement ti	RTATION TICKETS CAREFULLY. However, if a transportation ticket in ust make an immediate report to the command sponsoring the travel. You icket and will be reimbursed for the second ticket, not to exceed the cost of transport is refunded for the lost/stolen tickets. You must return unused tims.
☐ To arrange transportation call: ()	<u> </u>
You may arrange your transportation	n. The following rules apply:
with the CTO permits the CTO to an you are in a foreign country, except the Government if ticketing cannot carrier. If you purchase transportati Government, reimbursement is limit	on with a (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office (CTO) when the contract rrange transportation for travelers who are not Government employees. If for Canada and Mexico, you may use a travel office not under contract to be secured from a branch office or general agent of an American-flag ion from a travel office (travel agency) not under contract to the ted to the Government's cost on a constructed basis, for transportation that D if available. If the contract between the Government and the CTO does

not permit the CTO to arrange transportation for travelers who are not Government employees, reimbursement for transportation may not exceed the least expensive coach class air accommodations unless otherwise permitted in JTR, par. C2204-A.

It is DoD policy that in using regularly scheduled air transportation:

- (a) Accommodations selected must be the least costly unrestricted service that permits satisfactory accomplishment of the traveler's mission, and
- (b) U.S. carriers must be used for all commercial foreign air transportation if service provided by those carriers is available; otherwise reimbursement for the cost of transportation is not allowed.

Effective 4 February 2005  You are authorized to travel by privately owned conveyance (POC) as advantageous to the Government. Reimbursement is at the rate of \$0.405 cents per mile, plus the cost of necessary parking fees and bridge, ferry, and tolls incurred including per diem while in travel status under this travel authorization.
You are authorized to travel by privately owned conveyance (POC) on a constructed basis. You would normally be authorized to travel by common carrier. Reimbursement is limited to the transportation cost by the usual common carrier mode, including per diem.
<b>Receipts:</b> Ticket stubs/itinerary copies are required to substantiate your transportation cost. Receipts are required for all items of expense in an amount of \$75 or more plus any applicable tax.
You are paid a per diem allowance to cover your expenses for lodging, meals, and incidental expenses. Room taxes at locations in the 50 states, District of Columbia, U.S. territories and possessions and the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands are reimbursed separately. Room taxes in foreign areas are included in the total lodging cost and are not reimbursed separately. While traveling in connection with this Invitational Travel Authorization, you are authorized a per diem equal to the daily amount you pay for lodging, plus a fixed amount for meals and incidental expenses. That amount is limited to the applicable maximum amount prescribed on the Per Diem Committee homepage: <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a> for the locality concerned. If your costs, particularly for lodging, are more than the applicable maximum per diem rate prescribed, only the maximum per diem rate is payable. (See JTR, Chapter 4, Part L, for applicable rules.)
prescribed, only the maximum per diem rate is payable. (See JTK, Chapter 4, Part L, for applicable rules.)

Applicable Per Diem Rates:

Locality	Maximum	Meal & Incidental Expense Rate	Total Per Diem
Locality	Lodging Rate	Expense Rate	Total Pel Dielli

You are to be paid an actual subsistence expense allowance (AEA) for lodging and a per diem for meals and incidentals (M&IE). You are required to itemize your lodging expenses only.

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You are to be paid an actual subsistence expense allowance (AEA) for lodging and meals and incidental
expenses (M&IE). You must itemize all your subsistence expenses. Subsistence expenses include lodgings; meals;
fees and tips to waiters, bellboys, maids, porters; personal laundry, pressing, and dry cleaning (see NOTE below);
local transportation (including usual tips) between places of lodging, duty, and places at which meals are taken; and
other necessary expenses. You are to be reimbursed for the actual expenses incurred, but not to exceed the
maximum amount authorized for the locality concerned as indicated below. (See JTR, Chapter 4, Part M, for
applicable rules.)

Actual Subsistence Expense Allowance (AEA) Authorized:

Locality	Maximum AEA Allowance	Amount allowed for Meals & Incidental Expenses if M&IE authorized on a per diem basis.

<u>NOTE</u>: The cost you incur during travel (not before leaving or after returning) for laundry/dry cleaning and pressing of clothing is a separately reimbursable expense in addition to per diem/AEA when travel is within the contiguous 48 states and the District of Columbia and requires at least 4 consecutive nights lodging while on Government travel. There no separate reimbursement for laundry/dry cleaning and pressing of clothing when travel is in any other place. Those costs (in the other places) are part of the per diem/AEA allowance when travel is outside the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia.

The JTR is available at <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/trvlregs.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/trvlregs.html</a> . Address any inquiries
regarding this travel
to:
The travel authorized in this travel authorization is in the public interest, and is chargeable to:

# **APPENDIX F**

# **CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES**

PART I: LOCATIONS HAVING CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

PART II: CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING A CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCE

#### APPENDIX F

## **CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES**

# PART I: LOCATIONS HAVING CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

*A member*, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 pounds of suitable consumable goods per tour-year.\* (i.e., 12-month tour-1,250 lbs; 18-month tour - 1,875 lbs, etc.)

A civilian employee, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 pounds of suitable consumable goods per tour-year.\* (i.e., 12-month tour-1,250 lbs; 18-month tour-1,875 lbs, etc.) This allowance is in addition to the 4,500 pounds weight allowance authorized in JTR, par. C5156. In no event may the total weight of HHG shipped and/or stored at Government expense exceed 18,000 pounds. The 18,000 pounds includes the weight of HHG shipped at Government expense, consumable goods shipments, and the weight of HHG stored.

Requests for increased weight allowances for consumable goods shipments must be justified in writing and sent through the appropriate organizational channels to the PDTATAC for approval. In no event may the maximum weight allowance for consumable goods shipment exceed 2,000 pounds per year.

LOCATIONS		
Afghanistan, Kabul	Eritrea, Asmara	Niger, Niamey
Albania, Tirana	Estonia	Nigeria, Lagos
Algeria, Algiers	Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	Norway, Bodo
Angola, Luanda	Gabon, Libreville	Oman, Muscat
Armenia, Yerevan	Georgia, Tbilisi	Pakistan, Islamabad Quetta
Azerbaijan, Baku	Ghana, Accra	Philippines, Manila
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Guinea, Conakry	Poland, Warsaw
Belarus, Minsk	Guyana, Georgetown	Romania, Bucharest
Bolivia, La Paz	Haiti	Russia, Moscow St. Petersburg
Bosnia & Herzegovina, Federation of	India, Calcutta *Chennai (Eff 18 May 2004) *Mumbai (Eff 18 May 2004) New Delhi	Rwanda, Kigali
Botswana	Indonesia	Senegal

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Bulgaria, Sofia	Kazakhstan, Almaty (Alma-Ata) *Astana (Aqmola) (Eff 2 March 2004)	Serbia & Montenegro, Republics of Belgrade
Burkina, Ouagadougou	Kenya	Sierra Leone, Freetown
Burma, Rangoon	Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek	Somalia, Mogadishu
Burundi, Bujumbura	Laos	Sri Lanka, Colombo
Cambodia, Phnom Penh	Latvia, Riga	Sudan, Khartoum
Cameroon, Yaounde	Liberia, Monrovia	Suriname, Paramaribo
Central African Republic, Bangui	Lithuania, Vilnius	Syria, Damascus
Chad, N'Djamena	Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of, Skopje	Togo, Lome
China, Beijing Shanghai	Madagascar, Antananarivo	Turkmenistan, Ashkhabat
Congo, Democratic Republic of the Kinshasa	Malawi, Lilongwe	Uganda, Kampala
Congo, Republic of the Brazzaville	Mali, Bamako	Ukraine, Kiev
Cote d'Ivoire, Abidjan	Mauritania, Nouakchott	Uzbekistan, Tashkent
Cuba, Havana	Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar	Vietnam
Cyprus, Nicosia	Moldova	Yemen, Sanaa
Djibouti	Mozambique, Maputo	Zambia, Lusaka
*East Timor (Effective 7 Oct 2002)	Nepal, Kathmandu	Zimbabwe
Ecuador, Quito	Nicaragua, Managua	

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#### APPENDIX F

## **CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES**

## PART II: CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING A CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCE

A. The senior officer, in the area concerned, may submit a justified request for the area to be designated as an OCONUS location to which consumable goods may be shipped. The justified request is sent through the appropriate organizational channels to the following for approval:

Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee Attn: T&T Branch Hoffman Building I, Room 836 2461 Eisenhower Avenue Alexandria, VA 22331-1300

- B. The request must address the following questions:
  - 1. How many members and DOD employees serve in the area?
  - 2. Are State Department employees authorized a consumable goods shipment to the area?
  - 3. What types of consumable goods are unavailable locally? Please include foodstuffs, household and personal items.
  - 4. Is the quality of consumable goods available locally equivalent to the American counterpart? If not, explain.
  - 5. What factors contribute to the lack of a reliable local source of adequate, necessary consumable goods? Are those factors likely to improve in the foreseeable future?
  - 6. Do locally available fresh foods require preparation far different from the American counterpart of those foods? If so, explain.
  - 7. Why do members/employees prefer/need to eat canned/dried/processed vegetables and produce versus locally available items?
  - 8. Do food shortages require members/employees to wait in line for items for long periods?

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- 9. Does State Department have a commissary or food locker/co-op at the station? If so:
  - a. What is the space and storage capacity of the facility?
  - b. What variety of items are available?
  - c. How often is it restocked?
  - d. Can members/employees place bulk orders for consumable goods through the facility?
  - e. How often are bulk orders placed?
  - f. Are the bulk orders received on time?
- 10. Who is the POC for this request? Please include *commercial* phone and fax numbers, and email address, if available.

<u>NOTE</u>: The high price of consumable goods in an area is not a factor in deciding whether or not to establish a consumable goods allowance. COLA is designed to offset a high cost of living at an OCONUS PDS.

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# APPENDIX H

# TRAVEL PURPOSE IDENTIFIERS AND PREMIUM CLASS TRANSPORTATION

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# \*PART I

# TRAVEL PURPOSE IDENTIFIERS

Travel Purpose Identifier Codes	Purpose
0. Site Visit	Personally perform operational/managerial activities (e.g., to oversee program activities, grant operations, or manage activities for internal control purposes; carry out an audit, inspection, or repair activity; conduct negotiations; provide technical assistance) at a particular location.
1. Information Meeting	To attend meeting(s) to discuss general agency operations, review status reports, or discuss topics of general interest. If a site visit was conducted as part of the same trip, the entire trip is for a site visit (See 0 above.).
2. Training Attendance	To receive training.
3. Speech or Presentation	To make a speech or a presentation, deliver a paper, or otherwise take part in a formal program other than a training course.
4. Conference Attendance	To attend a conference, convention, seminar, or symposium for purposes of observation or education only with no formal role in the proceedings.
5. Relocation	Transfer from one PDS to another (same as a PCS move.) This includes new appointees/persons ordered to active duty when authorized relocation allowances for reporting to the first duty station.
6. Between Tours Travel	Travel and transportation authorizations for which an employee/uniformed member and/or dependent(s) may be eligible while serving at an OCONUS duty station; e.g., RAT or COT/IPCOT travel for the purpose of taking leave between OCONUS tours of duty; educational travel, etc. This travel is ordinarily performed in conjunction with travel resulting from a permanent change of station assignment or renewal of a tour of duty at OCONUS duty stations.
7. Special Mission Travel	To carry out a special agency mission (e.g., non-combat military units); provide security to a person or shipment (such as diplomatic pouch); move witnesses between locations; travel by Federal beneficiaries and other non-employees.

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8. Emergency Travel	To return a traveler from a temporary duty assignment location at Government expense to the designated post of duty or home, or other alternate location, where the travel would ordinarily be present to take care of the emergency situation if the Government had not directed or assigned the traveler to another location to perform official business. In the case of a uniformed member, the provisions of JFTR, par. U7205 or U7206, and for civilian employees JTR, Chapter 6, Part O, which are far more extensive, would apply.
9. Other Travel	All travel performed for reasons (purposes) not shown in one of the other nine categories listed above. Even though stated as "other travel," the travel order/authorization must also detail the specific purpose.

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# **SECTION A**

# REPORTING DATA ELEMENTS AND PROCEDURES FORMAT

## PREMIUM-CLASS TRAVEL REPORTING DATA ELEMENTS AND PROCEDURES

and Sponsor's Name (if applicable)  2. Traveler's Rank/Grade (e.g., O-7, E-6, GS-14, Civ):	1. <b>T</b>	'raveler's Name (Last/First/MI; e.g., Smith, John. Q.):
and Sponsor's Rank/Grade (if applicable)  3. Last 4 SSN (Last 4 digits of traveler's Social Security Number) and Sponsor's Last 4 SSN (if applicable)  4. Service/Agency of traveler (e.g., U.S. Army, DIA): 5. Organization of traveler (e.g., 434 ARW/FMF): 6. Work Phone (Comm and DSN (both with area codes): 7. Email Address: 8. Mode (Airplane, Ship or Train)  0 = Air 1 = Ship 2 = Train 9. Travel Purpose (See Appendix H, Part I.) NOTE: These codes are a means to categorize a particular trip they do not in any way convey authorization to use premium-class accommodations  0 = Site Visit 1 = Information Meeting 2 = Training 3 = Speech/Presentation 4 = Conference 5 = Relocation 6 = Between Tours Travel 7 = Special Mission Travel 8 = Emergency Travel 9 = Other  10. Origin Location at which premium-class accommodations segment starts (e.g., Washington,		10 4 37 (10 11 11)
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D.C.)	10.	Origin Location at which premium-class accommodations segment starts (e.g., Washington,
	D.C.	.)
(Other) Origin:	(Oth	er) Origin:
11. <b>Destination</b> (Location at which premium-class accommodations ends (e.g., London, U.K.))	11.	<b>Destination</b> (Location at which premium-class accommodations ends (e.g., London, U.K.))
(Other) Origin:	(Oth	er) Origin:

**NOTE**: For multiple stops on a single trip:

a) If the entire roundtrip is by premium-class, list the origin and each destination on one line (e.g., Washington to Tokyo to Honolulu to Washington all performed premium-class. List Washington under Origin and list "Tokyo/Honolulu/Washington" under Destination column. Only the date travel is to begin from Washington is listed.)

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b) If some legs are premium-class and others are not, then report each leg involving premium-class on a separate line with the appropriate origin/destination for that leg and the date travel is to begin for that leg (e.g., Washington to Paris to Guam to Tokyo to Honolulu to Washington. Only Washington to Paris and Tokyo to Honolulu are premium-class; the other legs are coach-class. List the Washington to Paris information on one line and the Tokyo to Honolulu information on another line with departure dates and cost for each premium-class trip leg listed separately.

2. Date Travel to Begin (YYYYMMDD; e.g., 20040313 for 13 Mar 04):					
3. Fare Paid for premium-class accommodations (nearest dollar): \$					
4. Coach Fare amount leg would cost if coach class used (nearest dollar): \$					
5. Ticket Issuing Location (Name and Location of (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office					
CTO):					
16. Approval reason code and JTR/JFTR par. justification reference:					
Approval Code: (e.g., B2)Par. Reference: (e.g., JTR, par. C2204-B3b)					
(First-class see Part II, Section B; Business-class see Part III, Section A of Appendix H)					
17. Approval Authority of Premium-class Accommodations (i.e., title)					

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# **SECTION B**

# FIRST-CLASS AIR ACCOMMODATIONS CODES (See JTR, pars. C2204-B3 and C6505; JFTR, pars. U3125-B3 and U7755)

# APPROVAL CODE/REFERENCE/REASON

APPROVAL CODE	JTR & JFTR PARAGRAPH REFERENCE	REASON FOR TRAVEL
F1	JTR, par. C2204-B3a or JFTR, par. U3125-B3a	Lower Class Not Available in Time
F2	JTR, par. C2204-B3b or JFTR, par. U3125-B3b	Medical
F3	JTR, par. C2204-B3c or JFTR, par. U3125-B3c	Security
F4	JTR, par. C2204-B3d or JFTR, par. U3125-B3d	Mission
F5	JTR, par. C2204-B3e or JFTR, par. U3125-B3e	Only first class provided
F6*	JTR, par. C2204-B3f* or JFTR, par. U3125-B3f*	Non-Federal source*
FC	JTR, par. C6505 or JFTR, par. U7755	Congressional Travel

<sup>\*</sup>One of the first 5 reasons (F1 through F5) must also apply.

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#### **SECTION C**

## FIRST-CLASS DECISION SUPPORT TOOL

Effective March 1, 2004, authorization/approval authority for premium-class accommodations was changed to the senior official level with specific delegations required for authority below that level. Consult service/agency regulations or directives for the current first-class AO.

#### First-class accommodations requests.

Is the request for first-class accommodations because lower-class accommodations are not reasonably available (F1)?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - Are accommodations, other than first-class, available on an airline scheduled to leave within 24 hours before the traveler's proposed departure time, or scheduled to arrive up to 24 hours before the traveler's proposed arrival time?

Yes - Would traveler arrive later than the *required* reporting time at the duty site?

Yes - Is the travel for PCS, RAT/COT/IPCOT, leave, emergency leave, R&R, FEML, or evacuation?

Yes - First-class accommodations for these travel-types must not be authorized/approved since arrival time/reporting time in these cases is not mission-critical.

**No** - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved for the departure portion of the trip, considering when the TDY trip was identified, when travel reservations were made, whether or not the traveler can arrive earlier, etc.

No - Would the traveler be *required to* depart earlier than the traveler is scheduled to complete duty?

Yes - Is the travel for PCS, RAT/COT/IPCOT, leave, emergency leave, R&R, FEML, or evacuation?

Yes - First-class accommodations for these travel-types must not be authorized/approved since arrival time/reporting time in these cases is not mission critical.

No - First-class *may* be authorized/approved for the return portion of the trip, considering when the TDY trip was identified, when travel reservations were made, whether or not the traveler can delay departure, etc.

Is the request for first-class accommodations because of medical reasons (F2)?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - Has competent medical authority certified sufficient justification/documentation that the disability or other special medical needs exists and the medical condition necessitates first-class accommodations?

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# No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - Can lower-cost economy accommodations (e.g., 'bulk-head' seating, or providing two economy seats or a business-class seat or shorter flights) meet the traveler's requirements?

#### Yes - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

No - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

Is the request for first-class accommodations due to exceptional security circumstances (F3)?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - Would use of other than first-class accommodations entail danger to the traveler's life or Government property?

Yes - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

**No** - Are travelers agents of protective details accompanying individuals authorized to use first-class accommodations?

Yes - Are travelers required while traveling to remain in the immediate area of the individuals they are protecting?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

No - Are travelers, couriers or control officers accompanying controlled pouches or packages?

### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - Can adequate security of the pouch or package be maintained in coach-or business-class?

### Yes - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**No** - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

Is the request for first-class accommodations mission required (F4)?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

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\*Yes - Is travel in connection with Federal Advisory Committees (5 USC app.

(http://www.usdoj.gov/04foia/facastat.pdf))?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - Is the traveler a high-level invited guest?

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#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

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Yes - First-class accommodations may be authorized/approved. For DoD, the Director, Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, or the Director's designee is the only authorization/approval authority.

Is the request for first-class accommodations that the regularly scheduled flights between the authorized origin and destination (including connection points) provide only first-class accommodations (F5)?

## No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - Has the transportation officer/agent documented that there are no other scheduled coach or business-class flights/seats?

#### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

Is the request for first-class accommodations because a non-Federal source is paying (F6)?

# No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - Does the non-Federal source want the traveler to use first-class accommodations and has the traveler met at least one of the other first-class accommodations criteria (F1 through F5)?

## No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - Have the transportation services been paid in advance by a non-federal source?

### No - First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

**Yes** - First-class accommodations *may* be authorized/approved.

\*Is the request for first-class accommodations for a member/employee traveling in support of congressional travel? (FC)

#### No First-class accommodations must not be authorized/approved.

Yes - An approval authority must sign a separate and distinct authorization form for issuance of a premiumclass ticket even when the authorization comes from the Chairman of the Congressional Committee or Leadership/Speaker of the House.

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# **SECTION A**

# BUSINESS-CLASS AIR ACCOMMODATIONS CODES (See JTR, pars. C2204-B4 and C6505; JFTR, pars. U3125-B4 and U7755)

# Approval Code/Reference/Reason

APPROVAL CODE	PARAGRAPH REFERENCE	REASON FOR TRAVEL
B1	JTR, par. C2204-B4a or JFTR, par. U3125-B4a	Lower Class Not Available in Time
B2	JTR, par. C2204-B4b or JFTR, par. U3125-B4b	Medical
В3	JTR, par. C2204-B4c or JFTR, par. U3125-B4c	Security
B4	JTR, par. C2204-B4d or JFTR, par. U3125-B4d	Mission
B5	JTR, par. C2204-B4e or JFTR, par. U3125-B4e	Only business class provided
B6*	JTR, par. C2204-B4f* or JFTR, par. U3125-B4f	Non-Federal source*
В7	JTR, par. C2204-B4g or JFTR, par. U3125-B4g	Foreign flag coach not adequate
В8	JTR, par. C2204-B4h or JFTR, par. U3125-B4h	Overall savings
В9	JTR, par. C2204-B4i or JFTR, par. U3125-B4i	Over 14 hours
ВС	JTR, par. C6505 or JFTR, par. U7755	Congressional Travel

<sup>\*</sup>For business-class accommodations, this is a 'stand-alone' reason.

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#### PART B: GENERAL CONDITIONS

#### C3050 AUTHORIZATION IN WRITING (FTR §301-71.107)

- A. <u>Policy</u>. A travel authorization must be a written or electronic authorization (see par. C3056) and establish the conditions under which official travel and transportation is authorized at Government expense. It should be issued before travel begins unless an urgent or unusual situation prevents prior issuance.
- B. Purposes. (FTR §301-71.100) The purposes of travel authorizations are to:
  - 1. Provide the traveler information regarding what expenses are to be paid;
  - 2. Provide CTOs and travel service vendors with necessary documentation for travel programs use;
  - 3. Provide necessary financial information for budgetary planning; and
  - 4. Identify the travel purpose.
- C. <u>Prohibition</u>. Travel authorizations shall not be issued for reporting to the first PDS for duty except as provided in Chapter 4, or for pre-employment interviews or examination except as provided in Chapter 6.
- D. Exceptions. When travel is performed within the limits or immediate vicinity of a PDS, authorization by a travel-approving/directing official may be oral, by letter or message, or by travel authorization if deemed appropriate for fund approval purposes. Ordinarily, travel authorizations are not necessary when it is known that the travel claim involves only commercial transportation or POC mileage reimbursement. If a travel authorization is not issued, approval on a claim voucher should suffice for reimbursement purposes.
- E. <u>Sea Trial Travel Authorizations</u>. Instead of individual travel authorizations, a travel authorization may be issued for employees participating in sea trial trips when the only per diem involved is the per diem payable while the employees are aboard the Government ship. The written travel authorization must show the per diem authorization, the per diem rate, duty dates, accounting data, and the names of the employees assigned to the particular sea trial trip. A copy of the travel authorization must be given to each employee concerned.

#### C3051 CONFIRMATORY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

If official travel begins or is performed before a written travel authorization is issued, the travel must be pursuant to proper oral, letter, or message authority. A confirmatory travel authorization must be issued as promptly as possible. A confirmatory travel authorization must include appropriate statements regarding the prior authorization and justification for any unusual issuance delay. The official who directed the travel is responsible for initiating a confirmatory travel authorization.

#### \*C3052 BLANKET TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Blanket TDY travel authorizations may be issued only in exceptional circumstances and when necessary to meet mission requirements. A blanket travel authorization,

- 1. is limited to use within a stated geographical area,
- 2. is limited to a time period within a fiscal year,
- 3. must not be issued merely to authorize a specific number of trips to or between stated places or to enable variations in itinerary, and
- 4. can only authorize economy-class travel. If travel in premium-class accommodations becomes necessary for a specific trip, an amendment to the travel authorization for each such trip must be issued.

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Expense items requiring specific approval under these regulations also require specific approval. **NOTE: Blanket** travel authorizations are not used in **DTS**.

#### C3053 TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION AMENDMENT

- A. <u>Policy</u>. An issued travel authorization may be changed or corrected (within certain limits) by issuing an amendment. An amendment may be issued before or after completion of travel to:
  - 1. recognize an essential aspect of travel not known in advance,
  - 2. change the period or place of TDY assignment,
  - 3. include omitted pertinent information,
  - 4. change allowances for unperformed travel or duty, and/or
  - 5. correct erroneous information or clerical errors that do not affect reimbursement retroactively.
- B. <u>Authorization</u>, <u>Approval and Retroactive Modification</u>. Some allowances may be authorized only in advance of travel. Other allowances may be approved after travel is completed. Other allowances may be authorized and/or approved. See Appendix A for definitions of "authorize" and "approve". Approval after the fact, when permitted, does *NOT* constitute 'retroactive modification' of a travel authorization to create, change, or deny an entitlement. Except to correct or to complete a travel authorization to show the original intent, a travel authorization shall not be revoked or modified retroactively to create or deny an entitlement (24 Comp. Gen. 439 (1944)). *(Ex: It would be improper to amend a travel authorization to 'un-authorize' POC travel after travel had been completed that the travel authorization had clearly permitted POC use.)* See pars. C4554-A and C4554-B regarding the effect of deductible meals on per diem rates.
- C. <u>Effective Date of Amendment</u>. The effective date of an amendment is the date of issuance unless a later date is specified. However, the amendment may indicate retroactive effect under the conditions in par. C3053-A. An amendment authorizing a change in per diem or mileage rates and reimbursement basis applies only to unperformed travel on and after the effective date. When practicable, an amendment changing allowance amounts should be made effective on a date that an employee reasonably may be expected to receive the amendment or advance notification of the effective date should be furnished the employee concerned.

#### D. How to Amend a Travel Authorization

- 1. <u>General</u>. A travel authorization is amended by issuing an appropriate document citing the original travel authorization by number, and stating the pertinent changes, additions or deletions, and effective date(s).
- 2. <u>Responsible Officials</u>. The AO directing an employee's travel is responsible for amending a travel authorization. Before issuing a travel authorization amendment involving the expenditure of additional funds, authorization is required from the official whose funds are affected. Any official with delegated authority to issue travel authorizations (see par. C3000) may issue an approved amendment.

#### C3054 RESCINDING A TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

If an employee has traveled (or incurred expenses that must be reimbursed) under an issued travel authorization, it may not be rescinded. However, a travel authorization may be rescinded insofar as it applies to unperformed authorized travel.

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#### C3055 NUMBERING TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

Strict administrative control must be maintained over the issuance of travel authorizations. Each authorized issuing office must assign an identifying number or symbol to each travel authorization and cite it as reference in related documents and records when necessary. Authorization identification must be as prescribed in Service regulations.

#### C3056 AUTHORIZATION (AUTHENTICATION) OF TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS (FTR §301-71.3)

A travel authorization is "authorized" or "authenticated" by affixing the seal or signature of the authorizing/orderissuing official. Authorization (authentication) may be by written signature with printed name and title, by facsimile signature with printed name and title, by electronic signature with printed name and title if the security and privacy requirements established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for electronic data interchange are met, or by seal.

#### C3057 DISTRIBUTION

The required number of copies of a travel authorization for distribution depends on the circumstances and the Service organization concerned. In addition to the original and copies that travelers may be required to submit with a travel claim (see financial management regulations), the traveler must be furnished sufficient copies to support:

- 1. issuance of Government-procured transportation;
- 2. travel advances;
- 3. HHG transportation and/or storage;
- 4. transportation of unaccompanied dependents;
- 5. transportation by Military Sealift Command (5 copies);
- 6. transportation by Air Mobility Command (3 copies);
- 7. immunization, passport, and visa (including green cards) (see par. C1415); and
- 8. administrative requirements, including for a record in the employee's personnel folder, for OCONUS PCS travel.

#### C3058 UNUSED TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

Unused travel authorizations must be returned promptly to the AO with an appropriate explanation. That official must have the travel authorization canceled and a copy of the cancellation furnished to appropriate officials as required by Service directives.

## \*C3059 STATEMENTS REQUIRED ON TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

A travel authorization that does not have a box to check for a particular allowance must include a statement authorizing the allowance (Ex., DTR, 4500.9-R, Part 1, Chapter 106, par. B indicates that a statement authorizing commercial vehicle rental must be contained in the travel authorization to expedite processing at rental location).

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#### SECTION A

# PREMIUM-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DISABILITY OR OTHER SPECIAL MEDICAL NEEDS REASONS

It is Department of Defense policy (See JTR, par. C2000-A2c and JFTR, par. U2000-A2c.) that premium-class travel accommodations, due to a disability or other special medical needs, be used only when there is no alternative means to accommodate the traveler's condition (e.g., bulkhead, aisle seating, use of two adjoining coach-class seats, etc.). The condition must be certified by competent medical authority (i.e., a licensed medical practitioner) and authorized by the premium-class AO in advance of travel. This requirement is in the JTR and JFTR. Certifications validating the disability or other special medical need remain in effect for a period up to six months or the duration of the disability or special need, whichever is shorter. Disabilities or special medical needs described as permanent require review and renewal on an annual basis by a physician.

Travelers who request premium-class accommodations due to disability or other special medical need should request authorization well in advance of anticipated travel to ensure there is sufficient time to obtain required premium-class authorization prior to travel. If extenuating circumstances or emergency situations prevent advance authorization, the traveler must obtain written approval from the appropriate premium-class AO within 7 days of travel completion. Failure to receive the appropriate authorization/approval for premium-class transportation either before or after travel may result in the traveler being financially liable for costs over the coach-class fare.

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# **SECTION F**

# PREMIUM-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS DETERMINATION FORMAT

The request for first/business -class accommodations for (er	nter full name of traveler)
is authorized/approved/disapproved.	
Type Full Name, Rank and Office Symbol of	Date
Premium-class AO	
Premium-class Authorizing/Approving Signature	

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# APPENDIX I

# PAYMENTS DURING AN ORDERED/AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE

# **PART A**

# (EVACUATIONS FROM FOREIGN LOCATIONS)

(See Chapter 12 for additional information)

Department of State Standardized Regulations (DSSR)
(Government Civilian, Foreign Areas)
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# CHAPTER 600 PAYMENTS DURING AN ORDERED/AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS

Note: The following material is extracted from the DSSR and modified to relate to DoD civilian employees.

### 600 GENERAL

#### 610 Definitions

As used in these regulations, the following terms are defined as follows:

- a. "Adult dependent" includes the employee's spouse and any of the relatives defined in DSSR, section 040m who are age 21 and older. DSSR, section 040m (modified) is included below at DSSR, definition 610e.
- b. "Advance payment" means the monetary amount payable to an employee ordered/authorized to depart or his/her designated representative in advance of the date on which the employee would otherwise be entitled to be paid.
- c. "Day" means calendar day except when otherwise specified.
- d. "<u>Department</u>" means any department of the Government of the United States of America, any agency or independent establishment in the executive branch of the Government, and any corporation in the executive branch wholly owned or controlled by the Government.
- e. "**Dependent**" means a member of the employee's family as defined in DSSR, section 040m. Special factors include:
  - (1) neither member of an assigned career or probationary career married working (tandem) couple should be forced to be evacuated in dependent status. However, a career or probationary career employee in leave without pay status (LWOP) may be ordered/authorized to depart as a dependent;
  - (2) locally hired dependent employees should be evacuated or authorized to depart as dependents unless the Chief of Mission decides the position is essential, and the Department of State concurs in the decision.

The following definition of "dependent" according to the DSSR, section 040m, is modified to relate to DoD civilians:

"**Dependent**" means one or more of the following relatives of an employee residing at the employee's PDS who does not receive a similar allowance from the Government and is not included as another employee's dependent for determining a similar allowance:

- (1) spouse, excluding a spouse entitled to and receiving a similar allowance;
- (2) children who are unmarried and under age 21 or, regardless of age, are incapable of self-support. The term includes, in addition to natural offspring, step and adopted children and children who are under the employee's or spouse's legal guardianship and expected to remain under legal guardianship until age 21. (See DSSR, sections 270 and 280 on education allowances and educational travel.);
- (3) the employee's and/or spouse's parents (including step and legally adopted parents), when the parents are at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
- (4) the employee's and/or spouse's sisters and brothers (including step or adopted sisters or brothers), when the sisters and brothers are at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried and under age 21 or, regardless of age, are incapable of self-support. (See DSSR, sections 270 and 280 on education allowances and educational travel.);
- (5) when determined by the Secretary concerned to be in the Government's interest, a father, mother, brother, sister, son or daughter, regardless of age or dependency, who acts as the official host/hostess or equivalent for an employee who has no spouse residing at the PDS.
- f. "<u>Designated representative</u>" means a person age 18 years older who is named by an employee for the purpose of caring for, escorting, or receiving monetary payments on behalf of a dependent.
- g. "<u>Evacuation</u>" means the authorized or ordered departure of an employee and/or dependent(s), for any of the circumstances outlined in DSSR, section 610j herein. The terms "evacuated" and "ordered/authorized to depart" are used interchangeably in these regulations.
- h. "Evacuation order" means either an oral or written communication which authorizes or orders the departure from the post of assignment.
- i. "Evacuation payment" or "evacuation/departure payment" means a monetary amount payable to an employee, his/her dependents, or designated representative during a period of ordered evacuation or authorized departure.
- j. "Evacuee" means an employee or dependent who, because of military or other reasons in the national interest which create imminent danger to the life of the employee or dependents:
  - (1) has departed post of assignment under authorized or ordered departure status; or
  - (2) is ordered or authorized to depart post but cannot leave the post because of reasons beyond the control of the employee; and, in the case of an employee, is prevented by circumstances beyond the control of the employee and beyond the control of the Government from performing position duties; or
  - (3) is prevented from returning to the post while temporarily absent from post but otherwise intended to do so.

- k. "Monetary amount" is the net amount of compensation including any allowances or post differential due an employee after making all deductions authorized by law, such as retirement or social security deductions, authorized allotments, Federal withholding tax, and others, when applicable.
- \*l. "Safe haven" as used in this chapter means: (1) a location or place officially designated by the Secretary of State to which an employee and/or dependent(s) is ordered or authorized to depart; or (2) an alternate safe haven is a safe haven authorized by the Secretary of State and through the Secretarial Process under individual circumstances when in the U.S. Government's interest.

Evacuees at a safe haven are not entitled to diplomatic courtesies, immunities, services and privileges accorded to the official American diplomatic community assigned to the safe haven. (Also see Section 631a(1).)

- m. "Subsistence expense allowance (SEA)" means the daily monetary amount payable to assist in offsetting direct added subsistence expenses of evacuees.
- n. "Special allowance" means an additional allowance to offset the direct added expenses incident to an ordered/authorized departure.

# **611 Description**

# 611.1 Purpose

These regulations govern the authority and procedures for paying employees who are evacuated from assigned posts of duty, and for paying their dependents who are evacuated, for military or other reasons which create imminent danger to the life of the employees or their dependents or which otherwise are in the national interest.

# 611.2 Authority

These regulations are issued under the authority contained in 5 USC §§5521-5527 (The Act of September 26, 1961 (PL 87-304, 75 Stat. 662)) as amended by the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (PL 96-495) and Executive Order 10982 issued 25 December 1961.

### 611.3 Scope

These regulations cover the authority for an advance of pay following an ordered/authorized departure, continuation of salary and allowance payments during the period of ordered/authorized departure, and special allowances to partially offset certain direct added expenses incurred as a result.

#### 612 Coverage

# 612.1 Employees Covered

These regulations apply to:

- (1) civilian employees of the Department of Defense who are United States citizens or are United States nationals, except as provided in DSSR, section 612.3 (below), and
- (2) when and to the extent determined by the Secretary of State, third country nationals, i.e., civilian employees who are not citizens or nationals of the United States and who are not citizens or nationals of the country in which the evacuated post is located.

Third country national employees and/or dependents are considered for evacuation travel to their countries of origin, points of hire, or designated foreign or U.S. safe havens if this is in the U.S. Government's interest.

#### 612.2 Locations

These regulations apply to evacuations from, or within, any area situated outside:

- (1) the United States;
- (2) the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, and
- (3) any territory or possession of the United States.

# 612.3 Locally Employed American Citizens Not Covered

These regulations do not apply to:

- (1) local United States citizens who do not have official U.S. Government employment, including but not limited to Americans with private business or organizations, teachers recruited by local American-supported schools, Fulbright grantees, and individuals with contracts to work for the foreign host government; or
- (2) locally hired American citizens who work for the U.S. Government but who do not have an agreement for return transportation to the United States at Government expense.

### 613 Entitlement

- a. Employees and their dependents are paid/reimbursed only if they meet the requirements of these regulations. Entitlement to payment ceases on the date when the employee is determined as covered by the Missing Persons Act (50 App USC §1001 et seq.), unless payment is earlier terminated under these regulations or unless determined otherwise by the Secretary of State.
- b. Joint Federal Travel Regulations, Volume 1, (JFTR), Chapter 6, Part A covers allowances for the dependents of uniformed personnel. Uniformed members are not evacuated; they may be sent TDY as required.

# 614 Authorized Safe Haven Designation

a. The Secretary of State designates an official safe haven as far in advance of any actual or possible evacuation as practicable. Employees and their dependents are expected to travel to this safe haven if an evacuation is authorized/ordered. See DSSR, sections 631-633 for commencement and payment of special allowances.

b. When there is insufficient time for a written evacuation order due to the nature of the danger, the Secretary of State must be notified as soon as possible of the conditions that warrant the order so that an appropriate safe haven may be authorized and payment of special allowances approved.

\*c. An alternate safe haven is authorized by the Secretary of State and through the Secretarial Process under individual circumstances when in the U.S Government's interest and is effective no earlier than the request date for an alternate safe haven. (Within DoD, PDUSD (P&R) authorizes alternate safe havens. Phone (703) 697-2086 or DSN (312) 227-2086.)

# 615 Advance Payments

# 616 Eligibility

An employee may be paid in advance of the normal pay day when, in the opinion of the authorizing officer, payment is required to help defray the immediate expenses incident to an evacuation of an employee and/or dependents.

### 617 Advance Payment Amount

Any advance payment is based on the compensation rate including any allowances or post differential for which an employee was eligible immediately prior to the evacuation order/authorization issuance. The advance payment amount is the monetary amount for NTE 30 days or a lesser number of days as determined appropriate by the authorizing officer.

### 617.1 Advance Payment Computation

- (a) For full time and regular part time employees, the advance payment amount is computed on the basis of the number of regularly scheduled workdays scheduled to occur during the period as determined under DSSR, section 617.
- (b) For intermittent employees, the advance payment amount is computed on the basis of the number of days on which the employee is expected to work during the period as determined under DSSR, section 617. The number of days is determined whenever possible by approximating the number of days per week ordinarily worked by the employee during an average six-week period.

### 617.2 Payment

(a) The advance payment may be paid to the employee or a designated representative. Payments to anyone other than the employee should be made only pursuant to prior written authorization by the employee, wherever possible. Where circumstances do not permit prior written authorization, the payment may be made and the employee should then confirm such payment by preparation and submission to the safe haven post, or appropriate management office, of an allotment or assignment of pay form, immediately following departure of dependents. If the employee is evacuated or authorized to depart, submission will be upon arrival at the safe haven post.

(b) The advance payment is made at any time after the evacuation order/authorization is given, but not later than 30 days after the employee/dependent(s) has evacuated from the PDS.

# 617.3 Payment Procedures

An advance payment and any required adjustment thereof is made IAW procedures established through the Secretarial Process.

### 618 Recovery

### 618.1 General Requirements

After an employee's account is reviewed as required by DSSR, section 638 (follows), if the employee is indebted for any part of an advance payment made, recovery of the indebtedness must be started by the payroll office having jurisdiction over the employee's account unless a waiver of recovery has been authorized. Repayment of the indebtedness is made either in full or in partial payments as agreed upon by the payroll officer and the employee.

# 618.2 Waiver of Recovery

Recovery of indebtedness for an advance payment may not be required if the head of agency determines that recovery is against equity and good conscience or against the public interest IAW agency procedures.

## 620 Continuation of Salary and Allowance Payments

# **621 Computation**

- 621.1 Family Ordered/Authorized to Depart Employee Remains at Post
  - (a) Post Allowance. After all members of an employee's family depart from the post pursuant to an evacuation order, the post allowance is reduced to the "employee without family" rate.
  - (b) Temporary Quarters Subsistence Allowance (TQSA). If early return of the employee's family to the post is anticipated, TQSA may continue at the rate prescribed in DSSR, sections 120 and 925.
  - (c) Living Quarters Allowance (LQA). LQA may continue at the "with family" rate for a period NTE six months.

#### (d) Education Allowance

(1) "School at post" education allowances are terminated without financial penalty to the employee IAW appropriate provisions governing education allowances in the DSSR, section 274.22. If there is an Internet classroom set up with the school at post, expenses incurred by the employee/parent at the safe haven location associated with the Internet classroom in which the child is participating are reimbursed under the current year "school at post" education allowance maximum. These expenses include what the school at post charges for this service and connectivity charges in the U.S. for Internet classroom-related activities in which the child is participating.

- (2) "School away from Post" education allowance may continue until the end of the school year for children attending "school away from post" outside the U.S.
- (3) "School at safe haven", see DSSR, section 633 for special education allowance.
- (e) Educational Travel. When a dependent child is at a school in the United States using educational travel benefits under DSSR, section 280, the official safe haven location becomes the travel destination. See DSSR, section 633.4.
- 621.2 Employee and Family Ordered/Authorized to Depart
  - (a) Post Allowance. The post allowance is terminated as of the close of business of the departure day from the post.
  - (b) Temporary Quarters Subsistence Allowance (TQSA). The TQSA is terminated as of the close of business of the departure day from the post.
  - (c) Living Quarters Allowance (LQA). Payment of the LQA terminates as of the close of business of the departure day of the employee from the post, unless the employee is required to maintain and pay for quarters at the post or unless lease termination is impossible or impracticable.
  - (d) Education Allowance
    - (1) "School at post" education allowances are terminated without financial penalty to the employee IAW appropriate provisions governing education allowances in the DSSR, section 274.22. If there is an Internet classroom set up with the school at post, expenses incurred by the employee/parent at the safe haven location associated with the Internet classroom in which the child is participating are reimbursed under the current year "school at post" education allowance maximum. These expenses include what the school at post may charge for this service and connectivity charges in the U.S. for Internet classroom-related activities in which the child is participating.
    - (2) "School away from post" education allowances. See DSSR, section 633.
  - (e) Educational Travel. When a dependent is at a school in the United States using educational travel benefits under DSSR, section 280, the official safe haven location becomes the travel destination. See DSSR, section 633.4.
  - (f) Post Differential and Danger Pay. When the employee departs post pursuant to ordered/authorized departure, post differential and danger pay payments terminate in accordance with DSSR, sections 532 and 654.2, respectively. Subsequent eligibility for these benefits to an evacuated employee at the safe haven or other temporary duty stations is governed by DSSR, sections 540 and 655, respectively.

# 622 Payment

Insofar as practicable, payments are made on the employee's regular paydays computed as follows:

- a. For full-time and regular part-time employees, the payment amount is computed on the basis of the employee's regularly scheduled workweek.
- b. For intermittent employees, the payment amount is computed, whenever possible, by approximating the number of days per week ordinarily worked by the employee during an average six-week period.
- c. Payment, and any required adjustment, is IAW procedures established through the Secretarial Process. Payments may be paid to the employee, an adult dependent, or a designated representative. Payments to anyone other than the employee should be made only pursuant to prior written authorization by the employee, wherever possible. Where circumstances do not permit prior written authorization, the payment may be made and the employee should then confirm such payment by preparation and submission of an allotment or assignment of pay form IAW procedures established through the Secretarial Process, immediately following dependents' departure or, if the employee is also evacuated, upon arrival at the safe haven.
- d. When an advance payment is made under DSSR, section 615, no part of the advance is offset against salary and allowance payments (DSSR, section 620) as long as the evacuation order/authorization remains in effect. See DSSR, sections 618 and 638 for reconciling employee accounts.

#### 623 Termination

The authority for allowance payments under DSSR, section 620 ceases as of the earliest of the following dates:

- a. the date the evacuated/departed employee commences travel under an assignment order to another permanent duty station outside the evacuation area;
- b. the effective date of transfer when the employee is already at the post to which transferred for permanent duty;
- c. the date of separation;
- d. the date specified by the head of agency;
- e. the date specified by the Secretary of State;
- f. 180 days after the evacuation order is issued; or
- g. the date the evacuee commences return travel to the previously evacuated post.

# **624 Agency Report Requirements**

When an evacuation is ordered/authorized, a report is immediately submitted to the head of agency who forwards a copy to the Department of State. The report must contain the following information:

- a. names of evacuated employees;
- b. names of evacuated dependents (indicating, where appropriate, designated representatives);
- c. feasibility of officially reassigning evacuated employees to other positions;
- d. number of evacuated employees and skills needed to reactivate the post; and
- e. any other facts or circumstances which may aid in determining whether or not evacuation payments are necessary beyond the first 60 days of the evacuation period.

A similar report is made 45 days after the evacuation. Upon receipt of this report, a determination is made as to the number of evacuated employees who need to be retained as the civilian staff available for the performance of duty and for whom evacuation payments may be continued beyond the first 60 days of the evacuation. As soon as this determination is made, the post is instructed as to the number of evacuated employees who may continue to receive evacuation payments and the duration of the period for which such payments are to continue. When the extension is less than 120 additional days, and the evacuation lasts beyond the authorized period for evacuation payments, authorization to continue evacuation payments up to the full 120 additional days is through the Secretarial Process.

# 625 Work Assignments for Evacuated Employees

- 625.1 Evacuated employees at safe haven may be assigned to perform any work considered as necessary or required during the evacuation period without regard to the grades or titles of the employees.
- 625.2 Failure or refusal to perform assigned work may be a basis for terminating further evacuation payments and/or taking disciplinary action.
- 625.3 When part-time employees, either regular or intermittent, are given assigned work at the safe haven, records of the hours worked are maintained so that payment may be made for any hours of work which are greater than the number of hours on which payments under DSSR, section 620 are made.

### 630 Special Allowances

To help offset direct added expenses which are incurred by the evacuee as a result of an evacuation order, special allowances are provided for certain travel, transportation, subsistence, and special education expenses. The employee is responsible for normal family living expenses. Only one departure is permitted an evacuee during any one evacuation period. In determining the direct added expenses payable as special allowances under these regulations, an agency should consider the following items as the maximum amounts payable:

# **631 Travel and Transportation Expenses**

The travel and transportation expenses for an employee/dependent(s) authorized/ordered to depart the PDS are IAW the JTR for TDY travel (C3150). Per diem is authorized for dependents at a rate equal to the rate payable to the employee, except that the rate for dependents under age 12 is one-half of this rate. Per diem for an employee/dependent(s) is payable from the date of departure from the evacuated area through the date of arrival at the safe haven, including any delay period en route that is beyond an evacuee's control or that may result from evacuation travel arrangements.

a. Special Safe Haven Travel Considerations:

#### **NOTE: CHANGED EFFECTIVE 9-21-03**

- \*(1) From Post to Safe Haven Locations. When the fifty United States and the District of Columbia are the officially designated safe haven, authorized/ordered departure dependent travel and transportation is permitted to an authorized home leave point or to any other location in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia. Dependents authorized/ordered to depart the PDS to one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia earlier than the employee, are permitted travel and transportation at U.S. Government expense to rejoin an employee subsequently authorized/ordered to depart the PDS to a different safe haven in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia. Dependent travel and transportation expenses to and from an alternate safe haven outside the fifty United States and the District of Columbia are reimbursed NTE a constructed cost calculation from the evacuated post to the employee's selected safe haven in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia.
- (2) From outside Point to Safe Haven. When an evacuee is away from a post on official travel (RAT, R&R, FEML, TDY) at the time of an authorized/ordered evacuation, travel and transportation expenses are paid to the safe haven location from the employee/dependent's location. When an employee/dependent is away from the PDS on personal travel when an evacuation is authorized/ordered, travel and transportation expenses to the safe haven location are constructed cost, NTE the cost of travel and transportation from the evacuated post to the safe haven location. Upon arrival at the safe haven location, SEA payments under DSSR, section 632 are applicable.
- (3) Airfreight Allowance and Airfreight Replacement Allowance. An airfreight allowance for unaccompanied baggage is authorized for authorized/ordered departure from/return to post (in accordance with JTR, par. C8020). If the airfreight allowance is not used to ship unaccompanied baggage because of circumstances beyond the evacuee's control, an airfreight replacement allowance (in lieu of an airfreight allowance from post) may be granted to help defray costs of items, normally part of the authorized airfreight shipment, which must be purchased. The flat amounts are as follow: First evacuee without family: \$250; First evacuee with one family member: \$450; or First evacuee with two or more family members: \$600. Receipts are not required for this allowance. (Note: Even when the airfreight replacement allowance is granted from post, evacuees are still eligible for an airfreight allowance when/if they return to post.)

- (4) Third Country Nationals. On a case by case basis, as determined by the head of agency, third country national employees and/or their dependents should be considered for evacuation travel to their country of origin or point of hire rather than to other designated foreign or U.S.safe havens, if it is in the U.S. Government's interest and authorized by the Secretary of State.
- \*b. Household Goods (HHG), Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) and Local Transportation Allowance

NOTE: CHANGED EFFECTIVE 9-21-03

Access to (while in storage), delivery and return to storage of, HHG for evacuees is at personal expense. Shipment of a POV is not authorized at U.S. Government expense. In the absence of a POV at the safe haven location, a transportation allowance to assist with local transportation costs paid at a rate of \$25 per day, regardless of the number of dependents. The transportation allowance is paid from the first day following arrival day at the safe haven location. Receipts are not required.

# <u>NOTE</u>: CHANGE EFFECTIVE 1-26-03 632 Subsistence Expense Allowance (SEA)

Unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of State, a subsistence expense allowance (SEA) for an evacuee is determined and paid IAW these provisions. Payment commences as of the date following arrival day of the evacuee at an authorized safe haven location and may continue NTE day 180 or when terminated under these regulations, whichever occurs first. Authorization to make payments ceases on the 181st day after the evacuation order is issued. Any subsequent order issued after the 180th day constitutes a separate order, starts a separate 180-day period, and applies only to evacuees departing under that order. (See DSSR, section 631 for Air Freight Replacement Allowance and Transportation Allowance. See page IA-27 for the Evacuation Payments Worksheet.)

### 632.1 Daily Amounts Authorized

(a) From the day following arrival day at the safe haven location the first evacuee and additional dependents are reimbursed according to either a commercial or non-commercial rate. The commercial rate requires a commercial lodging receipt. The non-commercial rate applies on days for which a commercial lodging receipt is not received. On the 31st day at the safe haven location, the reimbursement rate is reduced to the 31st through 180th day amount shown for the rate (commercial or non-commercial) the employee/dependent(s) chooses for each of the remaining days in evacuation status. The employee may choose to be the "first evacuee" if evacuated, even if evacuated after the dependent(s). There is only one "first evacuee", except as provided under DSSR, section 632.4(b) ("Tandem Couples").

Per diem rates are accessed on the internet at the following locations:

For CONUS: <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>.

For OCONUS: <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>

# (b) Commercial rate

(1) The per day amounts allowed for days 1 through 30 following arrival day at the safe haven location are:

#### For the first evacuee:

Up to 100 percent (or up to 150 percent for special family compositions listed below) of the lodging portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate (receipt required) plus a flat amount (no receipts required) equal to 100 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate. If the first evacuee cannot get an exemption from paying the tax on commercial lodging in a CONUS or non-foreign OCONUS area safe haven, the first evacuee is reimbursed for the tax in addition to the amount allowed for the lodging portion.

# **Special Family Compositions**

- (a) First Evacuee plus one (non-spouse dependent, age 18 or older);
- (b) First Evacuee plus one (non-spouse dependent of opposite gender, age 12 or older);
- (c) First Evacuee plus two (one non-spouse dependent, age 18 or older; or one non-spouse dependent, opposite gender, age 12 or older);
- (d) First Evacuee plus three (one non-spouse dependent, age 12 or older);
- (e) First Evacuee plus four or more dependents.

<u>Note</u>: For special family compositions not addressed by (a) through (e) above, submit requests through the appropriate Civilian Advisory Panel (CAP) member (<a href="http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/phdir.html">http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/phdir.html</a>) to the Director, Office of Allowances (A/OPR/ALS), U. S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-0104.

#### For each additional evacuee age 18 or older:

A flat amount equal to 100 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven per diem rate.

# For each additional evacuee under age 18:

A flat amount equal to 50 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven per diem rate.

# Example 1: Commercial Rate

Per day amounts for days 1 through 30 commencing from the day following arrival day at safe haven.

Safe haven Per Diem = \$200 (Lodging Portion \$150; M&IE \$50). Family consists of Employee, Spouse, Children ages 6, 12 and 18. Note: Special Family Composition (e) applies.

First Evacuee: Lodging up to \$225; M&IE \$50

Spouse: \$50

Children 6 & 12: \$25; \$25

Child 18: \$50

Lodging reimbursed for actual expense up to maximum of \$225. Commercial lodging receipt required. M&IE portions are flat amounts and receipts are not required. Lodging taxes are reimbursed in addition to these amounts for a CONUS or non-foreign OCONUS area safe haven.

(2) The per day amounts allowed from the 31st day following arrival day at the safe haven location through the end of the evacuation are:

#### For the first evacuee:

Up to 100 percent (or up to 150 percent for special family compositions listed above) of the lodging portion of the safe haven per diem rate (receipt required) plus a flat amount (no receipts required) equal to 80 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven per diem rate. If the first evacuee cannot get an exemption from paying the tax on commercial lodging in a CONUS or non-foreign OCONUS area safe haven, the first evacuee is reimbursed for the tax in addition to the amount allowed for the lodging portion.

#### For each additional evacuee age 18 or older:

A flat amount equal to 80 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

#### For each additional evacuee under age 18:

A flat amount equal to 40 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

## **Example 2: Commercial Rate**

Per day amounts for days 31 through end of evacuation NTE day 180.

Safe Haven Per Diem = \$200 (Lodging Portion \$150; M&IE \$50). Family consists of Employee, Spouse, Children ages 6, 12 and 18. Note: Special Family Composition (e) applies.

First Evacuee: Lodging up to \$225; M&IE \$40

Spouse: \$40

Children 6 & 12: \$20; \$20

Child 18: \$40

The only difference between Example 1 and Example 2 is the reduction in the M&IE portion to 80% of days 1 through 30 commercial rate. Lodging reimbursed for actual expense up to maximum of \$225 per

day. Commercial lodging receipt required. M&IE portions are flat amounts and receipts are not required. Lodging taxes are reimbursed in addition to these amounts for a CONUS or non-foreign OCONUS area safe haven.

(1) For lease coverage see DSSR, section 632.4(c).

# (c) Non-commercial Rate

(1) The per day amounts allowed for days 1 through 30 commencing from the day following arrival at the safe haven location are:

# For the first evacuee:

A flat amount of 10 percent of the lodging portion of the safe haven per diem rate (no receipts required) plus a flat amount (no receipts required) equal to 100 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

For each additional evacuee age 18 or older:

A flat amount equal to 100 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

For each additional evacuee under age 18:

A flat amount equal to 50 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

# **Example 1: Non-Commercial Rate**

Per day amounts for days 1 through 30 commencing from the day following arrival day at safe haven.

Safe Haven Per Diem = \$200 (Lodging Portion \$150; M&IE \$50). Family consists of a tandem couple (both employees eligible for "first evacuee" rates) with children ages 3 and 13.

First Evacuee: Flat amount \$15; M&IE \$50 First Evacuee: Flat amount \$15; M&IE \$50

Children 3 and 13: \$25; \$25

Receipts are not required for any of these amounts.

(2) The per day amounts allowed from the 31st day following arrival day at the safe haven location through the end of the evacuation are:

# For the first evacuee:

A flat amount (no receipts required) equal to 80 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

# For each additional evacuee age 18 or older:

A flat amount equal to 80 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

For each additional evacuee under age 18:

A flat amount equal to 40 percent of the M&IE portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate.

# **Example 2: Non-Commercial Rate**

Per day amounts for days 31 through end of evacuation NTE day 180.

Safe Haven Per Diem = \$200 (Lodging Portion \$150; M&IE \$50). Family consists of a tandem couple (both employees eligible for "first evacuee" rates) with children ages 3 and 13

First evacuee: M&IE \$40 First evacuee: M&IE \$40 Children 3 and 13: \$20; \$20

Receipts are not required for any of these amounts.

# 632.2 Official Foreign Area Safe Haven or Authorized Alternate Safe Haven

- (a) When a foreign area is the officially designated safe haven, the SEA is based on the per diem rate of the designated foreign area under the same payment guidelines in DSSR, section 632.1.
- (b) When an evacuee goes to an authorized alternate safe haven the SEA is based on the lowest of the following per diem rates using the same payment guidelines in DSSR, section 632.1: (1) the locality to which evacuated, (2) the locality rate applicable to the official safe haven (whether U.S. or foreign) or (3) the standard CONUS rate.

### 632.3 Actual Payment

The daily rate of the SEA is either the maximum rate as determined above, or a lower rate if, in the judgment of the authorizing officer, such lower rate would be more in keeping with necessary living expenses.

# 632.4 Special Rules for Subsistence Expense Allowance (SEA)

(a) During Annual Leave, Sick Leave, Home Leave, Leave Without Pay

Following authorized leave, an employee away from the PDS on annual leave (including R&R), sick leave or home leave when an evacuation is authorized should immediately notify the PDS of return to work status to become eligible for the SEA at the designated safe haven. The employee then returns to the PDS immediately or receives authorization to report to the official safe haven or to a temporary duty station. Dependents become eligible for SEA the day following their arrival day at the authorized safe haven and following the employee's commencement of official travel to the PDS, TDY location or safe haven. SEA is not paid to any evacuee authorized to receive travel per diem (see DSSR, section 634).

Employees and dependents in R&R or home leave status are not eligible for SEA. SEA payments continue for dependents previously ordered/authorized to depart who are joined by an employee on R&R or home leave, but no additional travel for the dependents is authorized at U.S. Government expense.

SEA continues for employee/dependents while an employee in authorized/ordered departure status takes annual or sick leave.

An employee in leave without pay (LWOP) status is not eligible for SEA unless evacuated as a dependent.

# (b) Tandem Couples

Tandem couple employees should each receive up to the first evacuee rate of SEA. (See DSSR, section 610e(1).)

# (c) Lease Coverage

If an employee or designee signs a lease for lodging at the safe haven and is authorized to return to the PDS, a waiver of the refund due the Government on an advance or reimbursement of expenses incurred should be authorized for the unexpired period of the lease up to 30 days at NTE the lodging portion of the safe haven locality per diem rate (plus applicable tax if an exemption cannot be obtained on commercial lodging in CONUS or a non-foreign OCONUS area).

# 633 Special Education Allowance

Unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of State, a special education allowance may be paid on behalf of children evacuated to the official safe haven as follows:

#### 633.1 Official Safe Haven in Foreign Area

- (a) at the annual rate of the "school at post" education allowance indicated for the safe haven; or
- (b) at the "school away from post" rate of either the PDS or safe haven, at the discretion of the authorizing officer, where children are sent away from the safe haven to schools necessitating boarding. In this case the SEA ceases for that child. The official safe haven location displaces the PDS as the travel destination.
- 633.2 Official Safe Haven in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia

Ordinarily, education allowances are not payable on behalf of children evacuated from a foreign PDS to a safe haven in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia if accompanied by a parent, as public schools are available to all residents. However, if prior to evacuation, a child was attending school in one of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia using the "away from post" education allowance, the rate authorized for the PDS may continue for the remainder of the school year. SEA is not authorized for children on "away from post" education allowance. See DSSR, sections 621.1(d)(1) and 621.2(d)(1) for reimbursement under "School at post" education allowance, for Internet classroom expenses associated with school at post, incurred at the safe haven.

#### 633.3 Authorized Alternate Safe Haven

A special education allowance is not authorized at an alternate safe haven.

## 633.4 Child Eligible for Educational Travel at the Time of Evacuation

Educational travel eligibility rules continue as provided in DSSR, section 280, except that the official safe haven displaces the PDS as the travel destination from school. While the child is temporarily at the safe haven location, SEA payments are made consistent with DSSR, section 632. SEA payments are not made while the child is at school.

#### **NOTE: CHANGED EFFECTIVE 9-21-03**

# \*633.5 Child Eligible for Special Needs Allowance at the Time of Evacuation

If a child already qualifies for and is receiving the special needs allowance and that child has no valid, legal Individual Education Plan (IEP) acceptable to U.S. public schools at the safe haven location for special education services, then the special education allowance may continue during the evacuation until the public school begins to provide special services. See DSSR, secs. 271m; 276.2; and 276.8. Expenses may be reimbursed under the current year "school at post" and "special needs" education allowance maximum and may include items in DSSR, sec. 276.8c.

# 634 Suspension of SEA Payments

SEA payments under DSSR, section 632 are suspended in the applicable per-person amount when the employee or dependents are authorized the travel expense allowance under DSSR, section 631, travel per diem, or educational travel under DSSR, section 280. If SEA payments are temporarily suspended for the first evacuee, another dependent also receiving SEA becomes the first evacuee and receives the higher SEA payment.

# **635 Termination of SEA Payments**

SEA payments during an evacuation cease as of the earliest of the following dates (an appropriate grace period necessary to arrange return to post may be authorized, normally NTE ten days, provided it is justified on the employee's travel voucher and does not exceed the day 180 limit):

- (a) the date the evacuated employee commences travel under an assignment travel authorization to another PDS;
- (b) the effective date of transfer when the employee is already at the PDS to which transferred;
- (c) the date of separation;
- (d) the date specified by the Secretarial Process;

- (e) the date specified by the Secretary of State;
- (f) 180 days after the evacuation order is issued; or
- (g) the date the evacuee commences return travel to the PDS.

## 636 Return to Assignment

Not later than 180 days after the evacuation order is issued, an employee must be returned to the regular post of assignment, or appropriate action must be taken to reassign the employee to another post. This action must be taken in accordance with prescribed agency regulations.

# 638 Review - Employee Accounts (See also Section 618.)

638.1 The payroll office having jurisdiction over the employee's accounts reviews the account at the earliest possible date after the evacuation is terminated, or earlier if the circumstances justify, or after the employee returns to the assigned post of duty, or when the employee is officially reassigned to another post.

638.2 For the period or periods covered by any payments under these regulations, the employee is considered as though active Federal service had been rendered in a regular position without a break in service. Compensation is adjusted on the basis of the compensation rates, including any allowances or post differentials, to which the employee would otherwise be entitled under all applicable statutes other than those codified in 5 USC §§5521-5527, and as reflected in DSSR, sections 621.1 and 621.2. Any adjustments also reflect payments made to the employee as authorized by DSSR, sections 617 through 618.

# 639 Employees/Dependents Assigned but Not Arrived at PDS

Employees/dependents who have not yet arrived at the PDS at the time of the evacuation/departure order are not covered by DSSR, chapter 600. However, under the limited circumstances outlined in DSSR, section 245, employees and dependents precluded from proceeding to post may be eligible for payments equivalent to those provided in DSSR, chapter 600. When the DSSR, section 245 criteria are not met, dependents who normally would accompany an employee to post are eligible for involuntary separate maintenance allowance (DSSR, section 260) effective the date the employee begins official travel under an assignment travel authorization.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON EVACUATION

Department of State Standardized Regulations (DSSR)
Interpretation of Evacuation Payment Regulations (DSSR 600)

#### 1. O: What is the difference between an authorized and an ordered departure?

A: Authorized departure allows the chief of mission (principal officer in charge of a diplomatic mission in a foreign area) greater flexibility in determining which employees/employee groups may depart, and avoids the negative connotation attached to the term "evacuation." Since the law uses the terms synonymously, there is no benefit difference. On the same day that the State Department's Under Secretary of State for Management ("USSM") approves evacuation status for the PDS – either authorized or ordered – the 180-day clock "begins ticking".

# 2. Q: Do all US Government agencies subscribe, follow or adhere to the DSSR on evacuations?

A: In accordance with DSSR, section 645 all agencies implement the DSSR. To ensure fair and consistent treatment of all evacuees, agencies desiring to deviate from DSSR, chapter 600 must seek Secretary of State authorization before doing so. The dependents of uniformed personnel are covered separately under the Joint Federal Travel Regulations, Volume 1 (JFTR), Chapter 6, Part A.

#### SAFE HAVEN

# 3. Q: How does a dependent select an official safe haven and on what is the subsistence expense allowance (SEA) based?

A: The State Department's Under Secretary of State for Management (USSM) designates the U.S. (DSSR defines this as the fifty United States and the District of Columbia) as the official safe haven location even though the DSSR allows for OCONUS (non-foreign and foreign) official safe haven designations. A designation of U.S. means that dependents may select an official safe haven anywhere in the fifty United States or the District of Columbia. A dependent evacuee should select as an official safe haven the location at which the longest time is to be spent (e.g., where children are to go to school or where family/friends reside). An evacuee is not required to remain at the official safe haven; however, SEA payments are based on the official safe haven location per diem rate. An evacuee can change safe havens to somewhere else in the U.S. (another of the fifty United States or the District of Columbia) once during an evacuation. Transportation between safe havens may be authorized sparingly through the Secretarial Process (JTR, par. C12000-B2d) for reason(s) other than only personal preference. The appropriate evacuee locator and accounting offices must be notified of any address change. (See Q&A 5 for transporting dependents to join subsequently evacuated employee.)

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# \*4. Q: What benefits are available for dependents going to an authorized alternate safe haven?

A: If the "official" safe haven is the fifty United States and the District of Columbia, then anywhere outside the 50 United States and the District of Columbia is an "alternate" safe haven. Evacuation benefits are available only if the Secretary of State and the agency head/designee authorizes the alternate safe haven as being in the Government's best interest (DSSR, section 614c). Within DoD, PDUSD (P&R) authorizes alternate safe havens (phone (703) 697-2086 or DSN (312) 227-2086). *The employee cannot choose an alternate safe haven.* The employee must travel

to the official safe haven (DSSR, section 631a(1)). The only benefits at an authorized alternate safe haven are: (1) constructed cost travel (NTE travel and transportation costs between the evacuated PDS and the employee's official safe haven location) if the dependent(s) want to join the employee at the employee's official safe haven location; (2) limited SEA based on the lowest of the official safe haven, authorized alternate safe haven or standard CONUS per diem rate - \$91 as of 10-1-04). The lowest is usually the standard CONUS rate. Education allowance is limited to Internet costs between the PDS school and the alternate safe haven (DSSR, sections 621.1d and 621.2d). Diplomatic immunities, privileges, or services are not available at the alternate safe haven.

# 5. Q: May previously evacuated dependents join the employee at the employee's official safe haven?

A: Dependents evacuated to an official safe haven or authorized alternate safe haven may rejoin the employee at the employee's safe haven. Dependent travel from an official safe haven to the employee's safe haven is at U.S. Government expense. Dependent travel from an authorized alternate safe haven to the employee's official safe haven is constructed cost travel NTE the travel and transportation costs from the evacuated PDS to the employee's official safe haven (DSSR, section 631a(1)).

6. Q: Can an evacuated employee accompany dependents, who are unable to travel alone due to special needs or minor age, to their official U.S. (within the 50 United States and the District of Columbia) safe haven?

A: IAW these travel regulations, employees accompanying dependents, unable to travel alone, to their official or authorized alternate safe haven are reimbursed for travel and transportation expenses (1) there and back to the PDS; or (2) there and to the employee's official safe haven.

7. Q: Can a dependent on educational travel or "away from post" education allowance go to the safe haven following evacuation of a PDS?

A: Yes. The official safe haven location displaces the foreign PDS for travel purposes under education allowance and educational travel (DSSR, section 633.2 and DSSR, section 633.4, respectively). SEA payments are not allowed for children on "away from post" education allowance (DSSR, section 633.2). SEA payments are allowed for children under educational travel only when they are at the safe haven, unmarried, and under 21 (see definition of "child" at DSSR, section 040m(2)).

# EVACUATION PAYMENTS: SUBSISTENCE EXPENSE ALLOWANCE (SEA) AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS

### 8. Q: When do SEA benefits start for evacuees?

A: (1) Official safe haven: SEA benefits start the day following arrival day at the official safe haven location. SEA is not paid for travel en route to the official safe haven location.

(2) Authorized alternate safe haven: If an alternate safe haven is authorized prior to the dependents' evacuation, SEA starts the day following arrival day at the authorized alternate safe haven location. If an alternate safe haven is authorized after evacuees have arrived at that location, SEA starts no earlier than the date the ASD (FMP) receives the request for the alternate safe haven. If the request for an alternate safe haven is denied, SEA is not authorized until the evacuee arrives at the official safe haven.

9. Q: When an employee is evacuated after the dependents, is the employee authorized SEA under DSSR, section 632.1, at the full amount for the first evacuee or at the additional dependent amount?

A: When the employee is evacuated after dependents, the employee may elect to be either the first evacuee or additional dependent. The DSSR allows for dependents and the employee to be at different safe haven locations, but there is only one "first evacuee" under the formula (whether commercial or non-commercial). Only dependents residing with the first evacuee are counted for additional reimbursement for larger quarters (see FAO 14).

10. Q: Can employees and dependents on RAT or on FEML receive SEA payments?

A: Employees and dependents cannot receive SEA while on RAT or in FEML status (DSSR, section 632.4). If away from the PDS at the time the evacuation is ordered/departure authorized, the employee must either return to the PDS or declare intention to do so before any dependent qualifies for evacuation benefits. Transportation is authorized to the official safe haven location. SEA may not start for an evacuee until that evacuee arrives at the authorized safe haven and the employee has started official travel to the PDS or official safe haven. The date also may depend on when the employee or dependents were due to return to the PDS.

11. Q: What if the employee/dependent is in MEDEVAC/health care travel status?

A: SEA payments are not paid when per diem is paid (i.e., while on MEDEVAC/health care travel). Once the MEDEVAC/health care travel period is terminated and per diem is no longer paid, the employee/dependent receives SEA on the day following arrival day at the authorized safe haven location.

12. Q: What if dependents have been evacuated and the employee later joins the evacuated dependents on a different type of travel authorization such as FEML or RAT?

A: The employee cannot receive SEA. However, SEA continues for dependents previously evacuated (DSSR, section 632.4).

13. Q: Who determines whether the commercial or non-commercial rate for SEA applies? Can an employee draw SEA at the commercial rate and dependents draw SEA at the non-commercial rate at the same time?

A: Commercial or non-commercial applies to the type of lodging the first evacuee occupies. Per DSSR, section 632.1, "There is only one 'first evacuee', except as provided under DSSR, section 632.4(b) ('Tandem Couples')". Only the first evacuee (employee or a dependent) is reimbursed for a percentage of the lodging portion of the official/authorized alternate/standard CONUS safe haven per diem rate. All other dependents receive a percentage of the meal and incidental expense (M&IE) portion of the first evacuee's safe haven per diem rate.

If the first evacuee submits a commercial lodging receipt, then the commercial rate formula applies. If a commercial lodging receipt is not submitted, then the non-commercial rate formula applies. Both formulae are shown on the Evacuation Payments Worksheet (EPW) in DSSR, section 960. If commercial lodging does not include furniture and/or utility costs, these costs are reimbursed as part of lodging (receipts required since this is a "lodging-related" expense).

# 14. Q: If more than one hotel room or larger quarters is/are required, is there flexibility to allow reimbursement above the commercial rate maximum of 100% of the lodging portion of the safe haven per diem rate?

A: The first evacuee is reimbursed up to 50% above the lodging maximum when using the commercial rate. Special consideration is given to the following family compositions:

- (1) First Evacuee plus one (non-spouse dependent, age 18 or older);
- (2) First Evacuee plus one (non-spouse dependent of opposite gender, age 12 or over);
- (3) First Evacuee plus two (one non-spouse dependent, age 18 or older; or one non-spouse dependent, opposite gender, age 12 or older);
- (4) First Evacuee plus three (one non-spouse dependent, age 12 or over); and
- (5) First Evacuee plus four or more dependents.

# 15. Q: What if I have a special family composition not included as one of the five in FAQ 14?

A: Requests for other special family considerations are submitted through the appropriate Civilian Advisory Panel (CAP) member to the Director, Office of Allowances (A/OPR/ALS), U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-0104.

# 16. Q: Is my nanny/caregiver eligible for SEA?

A: No, unless the nanny/caregiver is a dependent. The nanny/caregiver may be the designated representative (DSSR, section 610f) named by an employee to care for, escort, or receive monetary payments for a dependent.

# 17. Q: When an evacuation order terminates, is there a grace period to continue SEA until the day an evacuee returns to the PDS?

A: When an evacuation order terminates, an employee/dependent may continue to receive SEA for three days starting from the day after the day an evacuation order is terminated. For the employee not returning to the foreign PDS, only three days are allowed only if the employee has not started travel under a PCS travel authorization to another PDS. For employees/dependents returning to the evacuated PDS, an additional discretionary period of up to seven days may be authorized due to transportation delays. An evacuee must provide a statement on the travel voucher justifying the additional seven (7) days required to arrange for return transportation to the foreign PDS (e.g., airline reservations or air freight pick up). Personal reasons do not justify additional days of SEA. SEA payments cannot exceed 180 days.

# 18. Q: Is there any other provision under the Evacuation Payments if I need further help with unexpected expenses related to evacuation?

A: Yes. Under DSSR, section 615 Advance Payments, an employee may be paid in advance of the normal payday when the authorizing officer determines payment is required to help defray evacuation-related expenses. Advance payment may be for a maximum of 30 days 'salary' based on the compensation rate including any

allowances or post differential to which the employee was entitled immediately prior to the ordered/authorized evacuation. The advance payment may be made at any time after the evacuation order is given, but not later than 30 days after the employee/dependent(s) has evacuated from the PDS.

#### OTHER ALLOWANCES

19. Q: What happens to the "away from post" education allowance when an evacuation takes place?

A: The "away from post" education allowance continues until the end of the current school year. The official safe haven location replaces the PDS for travel within the education allowance. SEA is not authorized for any time covered by the "away from post" education allowance (DSSR, section 633.2).

20. Q: Do newly assigned employees/dependents who have not arrived at the PDS qualify for evacuation benefits under DSSR, chapter 600?

A: Under the evacuation benefits law, only employees and dependents who are temporarily away from their PDSs at the time of the evacuation order are eligible for evacuation benefits if prohibited from returning. Under the transfer allowance authority, DSSR, section 245 allows equivalent benefits to certain newly assigned personnel who are prohibited from proceeding to the PDS.

On the ordered/authorized departure date:

- (1) The employee's transfer travel authorization must have been issued.
- (2) The employee must be within 60 days of scheduled departure directly to the new PDS, and 3(a), (b) or (c) below must apply; and
- (3)(a) HHG are packed and residence quarters are vacated; (b) the employee transferring from a PDS in the U.S. has an irrevocable contractual agreement for lease/sale of residence quarters; or (c) the employee transferring from a foreign PDS with a direct transfer authorization (i.e., no RAT prior to reporting to the new foreign PDS) is required by the PDS to vacate residence quarters.

If all three criteria are not met, dependents are eligible for only Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance under DSSR, section 262.1.

21. Q: Can you explain voluntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (SMA) if, for personal reasons, an evacuee wants to return to the PDS later? (See FAQ 22 for education.)

A: Following an authorized/ordered departure termination, an employee may elect voluntary SMA at the official safe haven for dependents previously eligible for SEA payments and for whom round-trip travel and transportation expenses are already authorized. The employee may terminate this voluntary SMA and dependents may return to the PDS unless it is during the employee's last 90 days at the PDS. This SMA is not the "one change of option" during a tour of duty. (DSSR, section 264.2(2)).

22. Q: Can you explain Transitional SMA for education following termination of an authorized/ordered departure (DSSR, section 262.3b)?

A: Following an authorized/ordered departure termination, an employee may elect Transitional SMA (DSSR, section 262.3b) at the official safe haven when dependents are in commercial housing and choose to remain to complete the current school year if a child is in the final semester of the current school year (grades K through 12). Transitional SMA for education may be paid for up to 90 days. See DSSR, section 267.1b for rates.

23. Q: What happens after an evacuation terminates and the PDS becomes unaccompanied (i.e., dependents can no longer go to the PDS)?

A: Employees whose dependents were in temporary commercial lodging should apply for Transitional Separate Maintenance Allowance (DSSR, section 262.3a). Employees whose dependents were in non-commercial lodging should apply for Involuntary SMA. Instead of Involuntary SMA for children in grades K-12, employees may consider the "away from post" education allowance option (see DSSR, section 276.23 for details). Since SMA payments are not retroactive, the employee should submit Standard Form (SF)-1190 BEFORE the evacuation ends, for these benefits.

#### DEPARTURE FROM/RETURN TO THE PDS

- 24. Q: If a Permanent Change of Station (PCS) travel authorization has been issued prior to an employee/dependent's departure from the PDS, which takes precedence?
  - A: PCS travel authorization always takes precedence over any other travel authorization, including an evacuation order. An evacuee's travel should be charged to the PCS travel authorization. An evacuee may be eligible for SEA benefits if the evacuation occurs prior to originally scheduled PCS travel. When dependents depart the PDS under an evacuation order and the employee subsequently departs the PDS under a PCS travel authorization, all evacuation benefits cease for dependents when the employee's PCS travel begins.
- 25. Q: How long is an evacuation order valid for return travel to the PDS?
  - A: Ordinarily, an evacuation order is valid for up to one year from the issuance date. Return to the PDS is not allowed within 30 days of reassignment travel.

### TANDEM COUPLES

- 26. Q: Whose travel authorization should address dependent children when only one of a tandem couple is evacuated??
  - A: In this case, the children are on the evacuating employee/parent's travel authorization.
- 27. Q: How does a tandem couple evacuated to the same official safe haven submit receipts under the commercial rate formula for lodging?

A: A couple residing in the same commercial quarters submits their vouchers together. Reimbursement procedure would then split the hotel bill in half for each employee to claim. Each employee is also eligible for the first evacuee meal and incidental expense (M&IE) amount allowed in DSSR, section 632.1(b). See FAQ 14 for special family composition consideration if there are additional dependents.

# SHIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS (HHG), UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE, AND PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE (POV)

- 28. Q: Will I have access to stored HHG while evacuated?
  - A: Access to, delivery from and return to storage of HHG for evacuees is at personal expense, not Government expense (DSSR, section 631b).
- 29. Q: If I do not have unaccompanied baggage shipped from my PDS during an evacuation and I receive the airfreight replacement allowance, can I get unaccompanied baggage shipped back to the PDS after the evacuation?
  - A: Yes. The airfreight replacement allowance is in place of the unaccompanied baggage from the PDS.
- 30. Q: What is the amount of the airfreight replacement allowance?
  - A: It is a flat amount, no receipts required, as follows: First evacuee without dependents \$250; First evacuee with one dependent \$450; and First evacuee with two or more dependents \$600. It is intended to enable evacuees to purchase those necessary items not brought out of the PDS as unaccompanied baggage.
- 31. Q: What if I have an airfreight shipment to my official safe haven, can the air freight be shipped again if I subsequently join my spouse at the employee's official safe haven?

A: Yes.

- 32. Q: What if I get an airfreight replacement allowance since I could not get an airfreight shipment out, can I subsequently get air freight shipped from my official safe haven if I join my spouse at the employee's official safe haven?
  - \*A: Yes. The logic is that you got the airfreight replacement allowance to purchase things you could not bring out in your airfreight shipment; therefore, airfreight shipment/unaccompanied baggage is allowed from the official/U.S. safe haven to your spouse's U.S. safe haven.
- 33. Q: Can I transport a POV from the PDS to the safe haven point?
  - \*A: POV transportation is not authorized at government expense. In place of a POV at the safe haven, a transportation allowance (DSSR, section 631b) is authorized at a rate of \$25 per day regardless of the number of dependents. Receipts are not required.

# **EPW – EVACUATION PAYMENTS WORKSHEET (DSSR 600)**

(See reverse on this page for additional details)

Safe Haven Location used to calculate the Subsistence Expense Allowance (SEA). If within the U.S., include name of county to further identify safe haven location.

City	County (U.S. only)	U.S. State or Country
Safe Haven Lodging ("L")	Meals & Incidental	Expenses ("M&IE")
Safe Haven Advance Received	8	
The commercial rate requires a other transient-type commercial		otel, commercially leased house or aparti
	Commercial Rate* Days 1 through 30	Commercial Rate* Days 31 through 180
First Evacuee	100% x L =	_* 100% x L =*
	100%  x M&IE =	80% x M&IE =
Each other Eligible Family	4000/ 240 45	000/ 24045
Member age 18 & over	100% x M&IE =	80% x M&IE =
Each other Eligible Family	500/ MOTE	400/ M.C.IE
Member under age 18	50% x M&IE =	
SPECIA	L FAMILY COMPOSITION ( (Check Only One)	CONSIDERATION
First Evacuee plus on over).	, ,	ember of opposite gender, age 12 and
spouse eligible family member.  First Evacuee plus th	o (one non-spouse eligible tamil opposite gender, age 12 and old ree (one non-spouse eligible fam ur or more family members.	
NOTE: For special fa	mily composition consideration, Office of Allowances (A/OPR/	not addressed above, submit request ALS), U.S. Department of State,
*See reverse for further explanding level when the special is		nd application of 50% above the 100%

The "non-commercial" rate will apply for days when a receipt for a commercial establishment is not received.

	Non-Commercial Days 1 through 30	Non-Commercial Days 31 through 180
First Evacuee	10% x L =	No lodging amount paid
	100% x M&IE =	80% x M&IE =
Each other eligible family member age 18 and over	100% x M&IE =	80% x M&IE =
Each other eligible family member under age 18	50% x M&IE =	40% x M&IE =

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#### ADDITIONAL EVACUATION PAYMENTS

In addition to SEA payments, a transportation allowance may be paid at a rate of \$25 per day, regardless of the number of dependents.

An airfreight replacement allowance may be paid if air freight was not shipped FROM post. Employees and eligible family members are still eligible to ship airfreight BACK TO post. Amounts are:

- --\$250 for first evacuee only:
- --\$450 for first evacuee and one eligible family member;
- --\$600 for first evacuee and two or more eligible family members.

#### **Internet Sources for All Per Diem Rates**

--48 states and DC (continental US) = GSA (Per diems are first listed by county. Exceptions are noted. If there is not a separate listing, per diem rate used to calculate SEA should be CONUS)

http://policyworks.gov/org/main/mt/homepage/mtt/perdiem/perd02d.html

- --Non-Foreign, outside continental US = DOD <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>
- --All Foreign Locations = STATE <a href="http://www.state.gov/m/a/als/prdm/">http://www.state.gov/m/a/als/prdm/</a>

# **Basic rules for determining SEA payments:**

If you are at your official safe haven, SEA is calculated using the per diem rate for your official safe haven. Official safe haven of first evacuee is used to determine payments for all eligible family members. If you are at an approved alternate safe haven, SEA is calculated using the LOWEST of the per diem rates for the following:

- (a) official safe haven;
- (b) approved alternate safe haven; or

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\*(c) Continental US (CONUS) [as of 1 October 2004, that is \$91 (\$60 for lodging; \$31 for M&IE)]

### **Commercial Rate**

Commercial Rate is based on first evacuee's safe haven location. Reimbursement of lodging costs is based on actual costs (receipts required) up to the maximum allowed. Room taxes for CONUS or non-foreign, outside CONUS safe haven locations may be reimbursed in addition to the lodging maximum. Room tax for foreign safe haven is already included in the maximum and is not reimbursed separately. M&IE component is paid as a flat amount, no itemization, no receipts required and is based on the first evacuee's safe haven location.

First evacuee may be reimbursed for actual expenses up to 50% above this maximum due to special family composition (check appropriate situation under "Special Family Composition Consideration"). Receipts are required. Reimbursement is based on first evacuee's safe haven lodging rate and special consideration counts only eligible family members residing at first evacuee's safe haven location. Examples of maximum reimbursement when applying 50% above maximum: (1) If first evacuee's safe haven lodging rate is \$150, maximum reimbursement for family lodging will be \$225 per day. (2) If first evacuee's safe haven lodging rate is \$100, maximum reimbursement for family lodging will be \$150 per day

#### **Non-Commercial Rate**

Non-commercial rate is based on first evacuee's safe haven location. Lodging and M&IE components are flat amounts. Receipts are not required.

# APPENDIX I

# PAYMENTS DURING AN ORDERED/AUTHORIZED DEPARTURE

# PART B

# **EVACUATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES**

(See Chapter 12 for additional information)

DOD Implementation of OPM regulations in 5 CFR § 550-401 through § 550-408 regarding payments during an evacuation

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## Sec. 550.401 Purpose, Applicability, Authority, and Administration.

\*(a) Purpose. This part provides regulations to administer title 5 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), section 550-401 through 550.408 within the Department of Defense. Those sections implement subchapter III (except sections 5524a and 5525) of chapter 55 of title 5, United States Code, and provide for Governmentwide uniformity in making payments during an evacuation to employees or their dependents, or both, who are evacuated in the United States because of natural disasters or for military or other reasons that create imminent danger to their lives. These regulations generally adopt the section numbering scheme of the corresponding CFR provisions that contain similar subject matter.

# (b) Who May Order an Evacuation from a Location in the United States.

(See the definition of 'United States' below.)

The following officials may order an evacuation from any location in the United States and certain non-foreign areas:

- \*1. The Secretary of Defense, or the Secretary's designated representative (USD (P&R) DSN 224-2798, COML (703) 614-2798), for employees and dependents of DOD components;
- 2. The Secretary of the Army, Navy, or Air Force, or the Secretary's designated representative, for civilian employees and dependents of their respective Services;
- 3. The head of a DOD component (see definition in Appendix A) or designated representative;
- 4. The commander of a U.S. installation (see definition in Appendix A) or designated representative; and
- The commander, director, head, chief or supervisor of an organization or office.

Allowances may be paid as soon as one of the above officials orders an evacuation. (The officials in item 5 were Delegated the authority to order evacuations by USD (Personnel and Readiness) Memo Subject: Evacuation of Civilian Employees dated 29 July 1994.)

- (c) Applicability. This part applies to-
  - (1) The Department of Defense (DoD) and DoD components;
  - (2) Employees of a DoD component who are U.S. citizens or who are U.S. nationals;
  - (3) Employees of a DoD component who are not U.S. citizens or U.S. nationals, but who were recruited with a transportation agreement that provides return transportation to the area from which recruited; and
- (4) Alien employees of a DoD component hired within the United States.
- (d) <u>Authority</u>. Advance payments, evacuation payments and payments of special allowances as provided by this part may be made by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process (See definition in Appendix A).
- (e) Administration. The responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process for the DoD component concerned having employees subject to this part is responsible for the proper administration of this part. Advance payments and evacuation payments and any required adjustments shall be made in accordance with the DoD component's procedures.

#### Sec. 550.402 Definitions.

- (a) Agency means an Executive agency, as defined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code.
- (b) <u>Day</u> means a calendar day.
- (c) <u>Dependent</u> means a relative of the employee residing with the employee and dependent on the employee for support.
- (d) <u>Designated representative</u> means a person 16 years of age or over who is named by an employee for the purpose of caring for a dependent.
- (e) <u>Evacuated employee</u> means an employee of a DoD component who has received an order to evacuate.
- (f) Order to evacuate means an oral or written order to evacuate an employee from an assigned area.
- (g) <u>Safe haven</u> means a designated area to which an employee or dependent will be or has been evacuated.

**\*(h)** <u>United States</u> means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Marianna Islands, and any territory or possession of the United States (This definition is equivalent to the definition of the United States and Non-foreign OCONUS area in JTR appendix A) (see JTR, Appendix A for listing of territories and possessions of the United States).

# Sec. 550.403 Advance Payments; Evacuation Payments; Special Allowances

- (a) An advance payment of pay, allowances, and differentials may be made to an employee who has received an order to evacuate, if, in the opinion of the responsible official designated under the Secretarial Process, advance payment is required to help the employee defray immediate expenses incidental to the evacuation.
- (b) Evacuation payments of pay, allowances, and differentials may be made to an employee during an evacuation and shall be paid on the employee's regular pay days when feasible.
- (c) Special allowances, including travel expenses and per diem, may be paid to evacuated employees to offset any direct added personal expenses or dependents' expenses that are incurred as a result of the evacuation.
- (d) An advance payment or an evacuation payment may be paid to the employee, a dependent 16 years of age or over, or a designated representative. When payment is made to someone other than the employee, prior written authorization by the employee must have been provided to the authorizing official designated by the Secretarial Process.
- (e) Any DoD component may make payments in an evacuation situation to an employee of another Federal agency/DoD component (or the employee's dependent(s) or personal representative) who has received an order to evacuate. When a payment is made under this part by a DoD component other than the employee's agency/DoD component, the DoD component making the payment shall immediately report the amount and date of the payment to the employee's agency/DoD component so that prompt reimbursement may be made.

# Sec. 550.404 Computation of advance payments and evacuation payments; time periods

(a) Payments shall be based on the rate of pay (including allowances, differentials, or other authorized payments) to which the employee was entitled immediately before the issuance of the evacuation order. All deductions authorized by law, such as retirement or social security deductions, authorized allotments, Federal withholding taxes, and others, when applicable, shall be made before advance payments or evacuation payments are made.

- (b) (1) The amount of advance payments shall cover a time period not to exceed 30 days or a lesser number of days, as determined by the authorizing official designated by the Secretarial Process.
  - (2)Evacuation payments shall cover the period of time during which the order to evacuate remains in effect, unless terminated earlier, but shall not exceed 180 days. When feasible, evacuation payments shall be paid on the employee's regular paydays.
- (c) When an advance payment has been made to or for the account of an employee, the amount of the advance payment shall not diminish the amount of the evacuation payments that would otherwise be due the employee.
- (d) (1) For full-time and part-time employees, the amount of an advance payment or an evacuation payment shall be computed on the basis of the number of regularly scheduled workdays for the time period covered.
  - (2) For intermittent employees, the amount of an advance payment or evacuation payment shall be computed on the basis of the number of days on which the employee would be expected to work during the time period covered. The number of days shall be determined, whenever possible, by approximating the number of days per week normally worked by the employee during an average 6-week period, as determined by the DoD component.

# Sec. 550.405 Determination of Special Allowances.

In determining the direct added expenses that may be payable as special allowances, the following shall be considered:

- \*(a) The travel expenses and per diem for an evacuated employee and the travel expenses for the dependents shall be as prescribed for TDY travel in the JTR, whether or not the employee or dependents would actually be covered or subject to the JTR. In addition, per diem is authorized for dependents of an evacuated employee at a rate equal to the rate payable to the employee, as determined in accordance with the JTR (except that the rate for dependents under 12 years of age shall be one half of this rate), whether or not the employee or dependents actually would be covered or subject to the JTR. Per diem for an employee and dependents shall be payable from the date of departure from the evacuated area through the date of arrival at the safe haven, including any period of delay en route that is beyond an evacuee's control or that may result from evacuation travel arrangements.
- (b) Subsistence expenses for an evacuated employee or dependents shall be determined at applicable per diem rates for the safe haven or for a station other than the safe haven that has been approved by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process. Such subsistence expenses shall begin to be paid on the date following arrival and may continue until terminated. The subsistence expenses shall be computed on a daily rate basis, as follows:

- \* (1) The applicable maximum per diem rate shall be computed using the lodgings-plus system (JTR, par. C4553) for the employee and each dependent who is age 12 or older. For each dependent under 12 years of age, the per diem rate is one-half of the applicable maximum per diem rate for employees and dependents who are age 12 or older. These maximum rates may be paid for a period not to exceed the first 30 days of evacuation.
- (2) If after expiration of the 30 day period, the evacuation has not been terminated, the per diem rate shall be computed at 60 percent of the rates prescribed in paragraph (b)(1) of this section until a determination is made by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process that subsistence expenses are no longer authorized. This rate may be paid for a period not to exceed 180 days after the effective date of the order to evacuate.
- (3) The daily rate of the subsistence expense allowance actually paid an employee shall be either a rate determined in accordance with paragraphs (b) (1) and (2) of this section or a lower rate determined by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process to be appropriate for necessary living expenses.
- (c) Payment of subsistence expenses shall be decreased by the applicable per-person amount for any period during which the employee is authorized regular travel per diem in accordance with the JTR.

#### Sec. 550.406 Work Assignments During Evacuation; Return to Duty

- (a) Evacuated employees at safe havens may be assigned to perform any work considered necessary or required to be performed during the period of the evacuation without regard to the grades or titles of the employees. Failure or refusal to perform assigned work may be a basis for terminating further evacuation payments.
- (b) When part-time employees are given assigned work at the safe haven, records of the number of hours worked shall be maintained so that payment may be made for any hours of work that are greater than the number of hours on which evacuation payments are computed.
- (c) Not later than 180 days after the effective date of the order to evacuate, or when the emergency or evacuation situation is terminated, whichever is earlier, an employee must be returned to the regular duty station, or appropriate action must be taken to reassign the employee to another duty station.

# Sec. 550.407 Termination of Payments During evacuation

Advance payments or evacuation payments terminate when the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process determines that:

- (a) The employee is assigned to another duty station outside the evacuation area;
- (b) The employee abandons or is otherwise separated from the assigned position;
- (c) The employee's employment is terminated by transfer to retirement rolls or other type of annuity based on cessation of civilian employment;
- (d) The employee has resumed duties at the duty station from which evacuated;
- (e) Payments are no longer warranted; or
- (f) The employee is covered by the Missing Persons Act (50 USC App. §1001 et seq.), unless payment is earlier terminated under these regulations.

#### Sec. 550.408 Review of Accounts; Service Credit

- (a) The payroll office having jurisdiction shall review each employee's account for the purpose of making adjustments at the earliest possible date after the evacuation is terminated (or earlier if the circumstances justify), after the employee returns to the assigned duty station, or when the employee is reassigned officially.
- (b) The employee's pay shall be adjusted on the basis of the rates of pay, allowances, or differentials, if any, to which he or she would otherwise have been entitled under all applicable statutes other than section 5527 of title 5, United States Code. Any adjustments in the employee's account shall also reflect advance payments made to the employee under Sec. 550.403(a) of this part.
- (c)(1) After an employee's account is reviewed as required by paragraph (a) of this section, if it is found that the employee is indebted for any part of an advance payment, recovery of the indebtedness shall be effected by the payroll office having jurisdiction over the employee's account, unless a waiver of recovery has been approved. Repayment of the indebtedness may be made either in full or in partial payments, as determined by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process.
  - (2) Recovery of indebtedness for advance payment shall not be required when it is determined by the responsible official designated by the Secretarial Process that the recovery would be against equity or good conscience or against the public interest. Findings that formed the basis for waiver of recovery shall be filed in the employee's personnel folder on the permanent side.
- (d) For the period or periods covered by any payments made under this part, the employee shall be considered as performing active Federal service in the assigned position without a break in service.

# APPENDIX J

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#### APPENDIX L

# ACTUAL EXPENSE ALLOWANCE (AEA) SUBMISSION CHANNELS

A. <u>General</u>. Except under the circumstances in par. C, submit AEA requests to the appropriate office listed below, the Secretary concerned for specific classified OCONUS missions (*this authority must not be re-delegated*), or as designated by the Service concerned. The AO, or the official who requires the TDY assignment determines if an AEA is warranted. *Requests should arrive at least 10 days before travel begins*. Authority to authorize/approve AEAs is delegated below.

#### <u>NOTE</u>: Do not send AEA requests up to 300% directly to the PDTATAC.

- B. <u>AEA Requests up to but Not Exceeding 150%</u>. Authority to authorize/approve AEA requests, not exceeding 150% (see JFTR, par. U4235 or JTR, pars. C4614-A and C4614-B) is delegated as indicated below.
  - \*1. Office of the Secretary of Defense: For Washington Headquarters Services, and DoD Field Activities and Defense Agencies not specifically listed: AO:
    - a. American Forces Information Service
       Attn: RM Administration
       601 North Fairfax Street
       Alexandria, VA 22314-2007
    - b. Ballistic Missile Defense Organization
       Attn: Director Management Operations
       7100 Defense Pentagon
       Washington, DC 20301-7100
    - c. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
       Office of Administration and Small Business
       3701 North Fairfax Drive
       Arlington, VA 22203-1714
    - d. Defense Commissary Agency Attn: SAA 38<sup>th</sup> Street and E Avenue Fort Lee, VA 23801-6300
    - e. Defense Contract Management Agency Attn: DCMA-FB 8725 John J. Kingman Road Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6221
    - f. Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS): Principal Deputy/Deputy Directors, Assistant Deputy Directors, and General Counsel at Headquarters; Directors/ Principal Deputy Directors at DFAS Centers and Operating Locations, and Directors/ Assistant Directors at Financial Systems organization/Activities for assigned personnel and other DFAS personnel under their command and control. *This authority must not be re-delegated.*

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\*g. Defense Information Systems Agency

Attn: MPS 4 PO Box 4502

Arlington, VA 22204-4502

h. Defense Intelligence Agency

Deputy Comptroller for Financial policy and Accounting (OC-4)

Washington, DC 20340-3035

i. Defense Legal Services Agency

Attn: Attorney Manager 1600 Defense Pentagon

Washington, DC 20301-1600

j. Defense Logistics Agency

Office of the Comptroller

8725 John J. Kingman Rd., Suite 533

Ft. Belvoir, VA 22060-6221

k. Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Personnel Office

Attn: Resource Management Directorate 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 800

Arlington, VA 22205-2816

l. Defense Security Cooperation Agency

Attn: Deputy Director, Resource Management

1111 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 303

Arlington, VA 22205-2400

m. Defense Security Service

Attn: Comptroller

1340 Braddock Place

Alexandria, VA 22314-1651

n. Defense Threat Reduction Agency

Attn: Finance Management Office

45045 Aviation Drive

Dulles, VA 20166-7515

o. Department of Defense Contract Audit Agency

Headquarters, Assistant Director, Resources

8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 2135

Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6219

Regional Directors of DCAA Regions at Eastern, Northeastern, Central, Mid-Atlantic, and Western for assigned personnel and other DCAA personnel under their command and control.

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p. Department of Defense Education ActivityAttn: Comptroller4040 Fairfax Drive

Arlington, VA 22203-1613

q. Department of Defense Human Resources Activity
 Attn: Assistant Director
 4040 Fairfax Drive, Suite 200
 Arlington, VA 22203-1613

 r. Department of Defense Inspector General Assistant IG for Information Management 400 Army Navy Drive Arlington, VA 22202-2870

s. National Imagery and Mapping Agency Attn: Administrative Office 8613 Lee Highway Fairfax, VA 22031-2137

t. National Security Agency/Central Security Service Attn: M6
Ft. George G. Meade, MD 20755-6000

u. Office of Economic AdjustmentsAttn: Administrative Officer400 Army Navy Drive, Suite 200Arlington, VA 22202-2884

v. TRICARE Management Activity Attn: TMA Budget Officer 5111 Leesburg Pike, Suite 810 Falls Church, VA 22041-3206

w. Uniformed Services University of the Health SciencesAttn: Resource Management4301 Jones Bridge RoadBethesda, MD 20814-4799

x. United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Attn: Clerk of the Court 450 "E" Street, NW Washington, DC 20442-0002

#### 2. Army

a. For DA Staff and Field Operating Agencies not specifically listed: AEA authority is delegated to the AO. Personnel assigned to the Major Army Commands (MACOMs) listed below submit requests to the authority indicated for each MACOM (MACOM Commanders may delegate AEA authority to the lowest practicable level, but not beyond the level of AOs. If MACOM not listed the AEA authority has been delegated to the AO.);

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- \*b. Headquarters, Army Materiel Command, Attn: G1-F, 9301 Chapek Road, Ft. Belvoir, VA 22060-5527. Message address: CDRAMC FT BELVOIR VA//AMCPE//.
  Telephone: DSN (312) 656-8157, Commercial (703) 806-8157;
- c. Headquarters, Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC), Attn: SDDCRM-F, Hoffman Building II, Room 11S67, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332-5000; Message Address: CDRSDDC ALEXANDRIA VA//SDDCRM-F//; Telephone: DSN (312) 328-2350, Commercial (703) 428-2350;
- d. Commander, Eighth U.S. Army (USAEIGHTH), Attn: FKCS, APO AP 96205-0010; Message Address: CDRUSAEIGHTH SEOUL KOR//FKCS//; Telephone: DSN (315) 723-5241;
- e. Commander, U.S. Army Information Systems Command (USAISC), Attn: ASRM-F-MA, Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-5000; Message Address: CDRUSAISC FT HUACHUCA AZ//ASRM-F-MA//; Telephone: DSN (312) 879-6446, Commercial (520) 538-6446;
- f. Headquarters, U.S. Army South (USARSO), Financial Services Division, Attn: SORM, PO Box 34000, Fort Buchanan, PR 00934;
- g. Commander, Military District of Washington (MDW), Attn: ANRM-Z, 103 Third Avenue, Fort McNair, Washington, DC 20319-5058; Message Address: CDRMDW WASHINGTON DC//ANRM-Z-//; Telephone: DSN (312) 335-2048, Commercial (202) 475-2048;
- h. Commander, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), Attn: ATRM-AT, Fort Monroe, VA 23651-5000; Message Address: CDRTRADOC FT MONROE VA//ATRM//, Telephone: DSN (312) 680-4221; Commercial (757) 788-4221; *NOTE: Delegated to Installation and Major Subordinate Commanders with further delegation authorized.*
- i. Commander, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC), Attn: CISP-RM, 6010 6th Street, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5506; Message Address: CDRUSACIDC WASHINGTON DC//CISP-RM//; Telephone: DSN (312) 656-0194, Commercial (703) 806-0194, e-mail address: CISP-RMP@belvoir.army.mil;
- j. Commander, U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM), Attn: MCRM-F, 2050 Worth Road, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-6000; Message Address: CDRUSAHSC FT SAM HOUSTON TX//MCRM-F//; Telephone: DSN (312) 471-8141, Commercial (515) 221-8141 or 221-7298;
- k. Commander, U.S. Army Pacific (USARPAC), Attn: APRM-BAA, Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5100; Message Address: CDRUSAPAC FT SHAFTER HI//APRM-BAA//; Telephone: DSN (314) 438-2710 or 438-2918;

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Commander, U.S. Army Special Operations Command (USASOC), Attn: AOFI-RM, Fort Bragg, NC 28307-5200; Message Address: CDRUSASOC FT BRAGG NC//AOFI-RM//; Telephone: DSN (312) 239-2022, Commercial (910) 432-2022;

- m. Department of the Army, Army National Guard, Attn: NGB-ARC, 111 S. George Mason Drive, Arlington, VA 22204-1382; Message Address: CNGB WASHINGTON DC//NGB-ARC//; Telephone: DSN (312) 327-7563, Commercial (703) 607-7563; *NOTE: Delegated to USPFOs.*;
- n. Commander/Deputy to the Commander, U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory, Hawai'i, 310 Worchester Avenue, Hickam AFB, HI 96853-5530;

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o. Commander, Forces Command (FORSCOM), ATTN: AFRM-B-O, 1881 Hardy Avenue, Fort McPherson, GA 30330-6000. MSG ADDRESS; CDRFORSCOM FT MCPHERSON GA//AFRM-B-O//; Telephone DSN (312) 367-7422 Commercial (404) 464-7422.

#### 3. Navy

- a. Military Personnel: AOs;
- b. Civilian Employees: Heads of Activities/commands or their designees.

### 4. Marine Corps

- a. Military Personnel: AOs;
- b. Civilian Employees: Heads of Activities/Commands or their designees.

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# \*5. Air Force

- a. Wing Commander or equivalent, who may delegate no lower than the Group Commander (lodging, meals, and incidentals) and AOs (lodging only);
- b. Direct Reporting Unit (DRU) and Field Operating Agency (FOA) FMs or equivalents for their assigned personnel who may delegate no lower than Wing Commander equivalents (lodging, meals, and incidentals) and AOs (lodging only);
- c. HQ USAF. AOs;
- d. Air Force Reserve Members:
  - (1) Individual Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) on RPA funded orders ARPC/FM, 6760 E. Irvington Place, Denver, CO 80280-3000 who may delegate no lower than AOs (lodging only);
  - (2) HQ AFRC two-digit staff Directors i.e., DP, CE, FM, etc., for their assigned personnel;
  - (3) For reserve units Wing commander or equivalent, who may delegate no lower than the group commander (lodging, meals, and incidentals) and AOs (lodging only).

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- 6. Coast Guard (Military Personnel). AO.
- 7. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps. AO.
- 8. Public Health Service. Director, Division of Commissioned Personnel, PSC, Attn: PDTATAC MAP Member, Room 4A15, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857-0002.

#### 9. Combatant Commands

- a. United States Central Command (CENTCOM), Attn: CCCO, 7115 South Boundary Boulevard, MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5101;
- b. Commander, U.S. Pacific Command (PACOM), Attn: Comptroller, Box 64037, Camp H.M. Smith, HI 96861-4037; Telephone: DSN (315) 477-6681, Commercial (808) 477-6681;
- c. United States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), Comptroller, 250 S. Peterson Boulevard, Peterson AFB. CO 80914-3302:
- d. North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD), Joint Secretary (JS), 250 S. Peterson Boulevard, Sta 116, Peterson AFB, CO 80914-3010;
- e. Commander, Joint Forces Command (JFCOM), Chief of Staff (J02), 1562 Mitscher Avenue, Suite 200, Norfolk, VA 23551-2488; Telephone: DSN (312) 836-5487, Commercial (757) 836-5487;
- f. Chief of Staff, United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), 901 SAC BLVD STE 2A3, Offutt AFB, NE 68113-6000;
- g. United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), Attn: TCJ8-B, 508 Scott Drive, Scott AFB, IL 62225-5357;
- h. United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM), Attn: SCCM, 3511 Northwest 91st Avenue. Miami, FL 331721216; and
- i. United States European Command (USEUCOM): Executive Officer to the DCINC USEUCOM, Vaihingen, West Germany.

#### 10. Special Operation Commands

- a. Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command, Attn: N7, 2000 Trident Way, San Diego, CA 92155-5599. Message address: COMNAVSPECWARCOM CORONADO CA. Telephone: DSN (312) 577-0916, Commercial (619) 437-0844;
- b. Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Attn: FM, 100 Bartley Street, Hurlburt Field, FL 32544-5000. Message address: AFSOC HURLBURT FLD FL. Telephone: DSN (312) 579-2815, Commercial (904) 884-2325;

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c. Commander, Joint Special Operations Command, Attn: RM, PO Box 70239, Ft. Bragg, NC 28307-5000. Message address: CDRJSCO FT BRAGG NC. Telephone: DSN: (312) 236-0141, Commercial (901) 396-0141;

- d. Commander, United States Special Operations Command; Attn: Comptroller (SORR-RC); 7701 Tampa Point Boulevard; MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5323. Message address: USCINCSOSC MACDILL AFB FL//SORR-RC//. Telephone: DSN (312) 299-5469, Commercial (813) 828-5469;
- e. Joint Special Operations University, Attn: RM; 357 Tully Street, Hurlburt Field, FL 32544-5000. Message address; JSOU HURLBURT FLD FL//RM//. Telephone: DSN (312) 579-2649, Commercial (850) 884-2649. Email address: jsou.pres@hurlburt.af.mil;
- f. Commander, Special Operations Command Pacific, Attn: RM, PO Box 64046, Camp H.M. Smith, HI 96961-4046. Message address: COMSOCPAC HONOLULU HI//RM//J1//. Telephone: DSN 315-477-2603, Commercial (808) 477-3923;
- g. Commander, Special Operations Command, Joint Forces Command, Attn: RM, 1721 Piersey Street. NAS, Norfolk, VA 23511-5692. Message address: COMSOCJFCOM NORFOLK VA//RM/J4//. Telephone: DSN (312) 646-5841, Commercial (757) 443-5854. Email address: i41directorate@socjfcom.navy.mil;
- h. Commander, Special Operations Command Europe, Attn: RM, CMR, Box 1000, APO AE 09128-4209. Message address: COMSOCEUR VAIHINGEN GE//RM/. Telephone: DSN 314-430-4488, Commercial 011-49-711-680-4488. Email address: ECSO-J8.PG@EUCOM.MIL;

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- i. Commander, Special Operations Command South, Attn: RM, 29350 Coral Sea Boulevard, Homestead, ARB, FL 33039-. Message address: COMSOCSOUTH HOMESTEAD ARB FL//RM/J4//. Telephone: DSN (312) 791-6303, Commercial (305) 224-6303. Email address: J8@socso.southcom.mil;
- j. Commander, Special Operations Commander Central, Attn: RM, Bldg. 1105, MacDill AFB, FL 33608-5261. Message address: COMSOCCENT MACDILL AFB FL//RM/COMP//. Telephone: DSN (312) 299-6547, Commercial (813) 828-6547. Email address; soccomp@soccent.centcom.mil; and
- k. Commander, Special Operations Command Korea, Attn: RM, Unit 15622, Box 97, APO AP 96205-0328. Message address: COMUSKOREA SEOUL KOREA//RM/COS/FKSO//. Telephone: DSN 315-723-8009, Commercial 011-822-7913, Ext. 8009.

# 11. Schools

- a. Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Attn: Vice President for Resource Management, 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799;
- b. Department of Defense, National Defense University, Attn: Director, Resource Management, 100 Fort McNair, Washington, DC 20319-0001; and

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c. NATO Defense College: U.S. Senior National Representative, Viale della Civilta del Lavoro, 38 00144, Rome, Italy.

- 12. Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, Pentagon, Room 1E1034, Washington, DC 20301-7100.
- 13. Office of the Supreme Allied Command (USACEUR). Executive/Executive Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Attn: SHG, APO AE 09705.
- 14. <u>Joint Service Conferences, Symposiums, Seminars, or Professional Meetings</u>. The sponsoring Uniformed Service/Defense Agency may authorize/approve AEAs for all attendees regardless of Service/Defense Agency affiliation.
- C. <u>AEA Requests above 150% but Not Exceeding 300%</u>. AEA requests for more than 150% of per diem but not exceeding 300% (see JFTR, par. U4240 or JTR, par. C4616) are submitted to the appropriate office listed below.
  - 1. <u>Army</u>. A General Officer/SES within the Command listed in par. A2 above for subordinate units. For all activities belonging to Commands not specifically listed in A2 above, authority rests with the General Officer/SES for their own travel and the travel of those under their supervision. *This authority must not be further delegated*.

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# 2. Air Force

- a. MAJCOM/FMs, FOA and DRU FMs or equivalents who may delegate no lower than AOs (lodging only) provided that official has also been delegated authority under B5a or B5b above;
- b. 11<sup>th</sup> Wing/FM for HQ USAF personnel who may delegate no lower than AOs provided that official has also been delegated authority under B5c above;
- c. Air Force Reserve Members:
  - (1) Individual Mobilization Augmentees (IMA) on RPA funded tours ARPC/FM, 6760 E Irvington Place, Denver, CO 80280-3000 who may delegate no lower than AOs (lodging only) provided that official has also been delegated authority under B5d(1):
  - (2) HQ AFRC and reserve units HQ AFRC/FM, 155 Richard Ray Blvd, Robins AFB, GA 31098-1635 who may delegate no lower than AOs (lodging only) provided that official has also been delegated authority under B5d(3) above.

# This authority must not be further delegated.

#### 3. Navy

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- \*a. Military Personnel: See par. B3 above for authorization/approval authority.
- b. Civilian Personnel: Navy Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Civilian Personnel/EEO), DP2, Nebraska Avenue Complex, 321 Somers Court NW, Suite 40101, Washington, DC 20393-5451.

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### 4. Special Operations Commands

a. Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command, Attn: N7, 2000 Trident Way, San Diego, CA 92155-5599. Message address: COMNAVSPECWARCOM CORONADO CA. Telephone: DSN (312) 577-0916, Commercial (619) 437-0844;

- b. Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Attn: FM, 100 Bartley Street, Hurlburt Field, FL 32544-5000. Message address: AFSOC HURLBURT FLD FL. Telephone: DSN (312) 579-2815, Commercial (904) 884-2325;
- c. Commander, Joint Special Operations Command, Attn: RM, PO Box 70239, Ft. Bragg, NC 28307-5000. Message address: CDRJSCO FT BRAGG NC. Telephone: DSN: (312) 236-0141, Commercial (901) 396-0141;
- d. Commander, United States Special Operations Command; Attn: Chief of Staff (SOCS); 7701 Tampa Point Boulevard; MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5323. Message address: USCINCSOSC MACDILL AFB FL//SOCS//. Telephone: DSN (312) 299-5122, Commercial (813) 828-5122;
- e. Joint Special Operations University, Attn: Chief of Staff, 357 Tully Street, Hurlburt Field, FL 32544-5000. Message address: JSOU HURLBURT FLD FL//COS//. Telephone: DSN (312) 579-2649, Commercial (850) 884-2649;
- f. Commander, Special Operations Command Pacific, Attn: Chief of Staff, PO Box 64046, Camp H.M. Smith, HI 96961-4046. Message address: COMSOCPAC HONOLULU HI//COS/J4//. Telephone: DSN (315) 477-3923, Commercial (808) 477-3923;
- g. Commander, Special Operations Command, Joint Forces Command, Attn: Chief of Staff, 1721 Piersey Street, NAS, Norfolk, VA 23511-5692. Message address: COMSOCJFCOM NORFOLK VA//COS/J4//. Telephone: DSN (312) 646-5841, Commercial (757) 443-5854;
- h. Commander, Special Operations Command Europe, Attn: Chief of Staff, CMR, Box 1000, APO AE 09128-4209. Message address: COMSOCEUR VAIHINGEN GE//COS//. Telephone: DSN 314-430-4488, Commercial 011-49-711-680-4488;

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- i. Commander, Special Operations Command South, Attn: Chief of Staff, 29350 Coral Sea Boulevard, Homestead, ARB, FL 33039-. Message address: COMSOCSOUTH HOMESTEAD ARB FL//COS/J4//. Telephone: DSN (312) 791-6303, Commercial (305) 224-6303;
- j. Commander, Special Operations Commander Central, Attn: Chief of Staff, Bldg. 1105, MacDill AFB, FL 33608-5261. Message address: COMSOCCENT MACDILL AFB FL//COS//. Telephone: DSN (312) 299-6547, Commercial (813) 828-6547; and
- k. Commander, Special Operations Command Korea, Attn: Chief of Staff, Unit 15622, Box 97, APO AP 96205-0328. Message address: COMUSKOREA SEOUL KOREA//COS/FKSO//. Telephone: DSN 315-723-8009, Commercial 011-822-7913, Ext. 5585.

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5. <u>Defense Agencies, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, NOAA, PHS, Combatant Commands, Schools, Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, and Supreme Allied Commander Europe</u>. See par. B1, B4, B6-B9, and B11-B13 above for authorization/approval authority.

D. Officials Who May Authorize/Approve AEAs for Their Own Travel and Travel of Accompanying Uniformed Members/Travelers. The following officials may authorize/approve AEAs up to 300% for their own official travel and for accompanying uniformed service members and travelers covered by these regulations. JTR, par. C4612 provisions (for travelers covered by these regulations) are not applicable to this paragraph.

The Secretary, the Deputy, the Under, the Deputy Under and Assistant Secretaries of Defense

The Secretary, Under Secretary, or Assistant Secretaries of Army, Navy, and Air Force

The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs)

The Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Atomic Energy)

The General Counsel of the Department of Defense

The Defense Advisor, U.S. Mission to NATO

Directors of Defense Agencies

President, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

Director Operational Test & Evaluation

DoD Inspector General

Director, Defense Research & Engineering

Commander/Deputy Commanders of Air Force Major Commands

Chairman/Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff,

Chiefs/Vice Chiefs of Staff, U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force,

Chief/Vice Chief of Naval Operations,

Commandant/Assistant Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps,

Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard,

Director, NOAA Corps,

Surgeon General/Deputy Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service,

Assistant/Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health, U.S. Public Health Service,

Commanders/Deputy Commanders of combatant Commands and Directors of Defense Agencies.

- E. <u>Travel with Certain Dignitaries</u>. Without further demonstration of unusual/extraordinary requirements AEA is authorized for a member/employee who is directed to travel as part of the party of any of the following dignitaries:
  - 1. The U.S. President/Vice President, or members of their families;
  - 2. U.S. Congress members;
  - 3. U.S. cabinet members;
  - 4. Department Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries, Under Secretaries, or Assistant Secretaries;
  - 5. Supreme Court Justices;
  - 6. Chairman/Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

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7. The Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; the Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force; the Chief of Naval Operations; the Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps; the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; the Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and the Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service;

- 8. U.S. Ambassadors, Ministers, and Consuls to foreign countries;
- 9. U.S. Delegates to international conferences/meetings;
- 10. Very Important Persons (VIPs) as specified by the President/Vice President of the U.S.;
- 11. Candidates for the office of President and Vice President of the U.S. and their family members, including the persons elected to those offices; and
- 12. Other U.S./foreign dignitaries equivalent in rank to any of those mentioned above.

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#### APPENDIX O

# TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

#### \*T4000 INTRODUCTION

#### Effective 20 August 2004

This Appendix describes the travel and transportation allowances and responsibilities of travelers who perform the most common TDY travel types as authorized by law for uniformed members and DoD civilian employees. It is authorized for use by the activities listed in, and under the conditions cited in, Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), par. U1039, and Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), par. C1001-B. This Appendix covers individual travel for business, travel for schoolhouse training, and deployment or personnel traveling together with or without no/limited reimbursement. The provisions in this Appendix are to be used in place of TDY allowances in the JFTR and JTR (with exceptions and references as noted herein), except that the provisions in JFTR, Chapter 7 for uniformed travelers and JTR, Chapter 6 for civilian employees are to be used for travel of:

- 1. Senior ROTC,
- 2. Reserve Component Member travel for medical and dental care,
- 3. Retirees called to active duty,
- 4. Ready Reserve Component members authorized muster duty allowance,
- 5. Midshipmen and cadets,
- 6. Patients, and escorts and attendants,
- 7. Pre-employment travel; and
- 8. For rules that apply when emergency situations occur while TDY is being performed.

See JFTR, par. U7125-D for rules on per diem for uniformed members who are inpatients in a hospital. For travel of civilian consultants and experts, see JTR, par. C4975. TDY performed as part of a PCS move continues to be paid as prescribed for TDY travel in JFTR and JTR Chapters 4. Except where differences are identified, the allowances and responsibilities in this Appendix apply equally to uniformed members and DoD civilian employees. In this Appendix, "authorizing official" or "AO" means the individual who controls the mission, authorizes the trip, and controls funds for TDY travel. Definitions specific to this Appendix are found in par. T4070. The provisions of this Appendix must not be supplemented.

\*NOTE: See JFTR/JTR, Appendix E for Invitational Travel Authorizations

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#### T4005 APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW JFTR/JTR REGULATIONS

Commands/units are expected to take appropriate disciplinary action when travelers and/or AOs fail to follow the regulations contained in this Volume. Disciplinary action should be for *willful* violations and may be in the form of counseling (oral/written), or non-judicial action (uniformed personnel), or other personnel means (civilian employees). Action must *not* be through refusal to reimburse. See par. T4025-A4 for exceptions when reimbursement is *not* allowed.

#### **T4010 REIMBURSEMENT RATE**

Rates for private vehicle mileage reimbursement rates are found in JFTR, par. U2600, and JTR, par. C2500. Government mess food and operating expense rates are found in JFTR, pars. U4149 and U4151 and JTR, par. C2510. Per diem rates by location showing the lodging, meals and incidental expense components are published in website <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>, or provided under separate issuance by the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee (PDTATAC). These rates also are available from the (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office (CTO).

#### T4020 TDY TRAVEL POLICY

A. <u>Criteria for TDY Travel</u>. TDY travel is mission support. TDY travel is performed when there is no other means to successfully complete the mission. When the mission can be achieved by another means, such as written correspondence or teleconferencing, AOs must choose that method.

#### B. Traveler Rights and Responsibilities

- 1. Travelers are to follow the policies and procedures in this regulation, and use good judgment in incurring official travel-related expenses, as if traveling on their personal money (see JFTR, par. U2010 and JTR, par. C1058).
- 2. Travelers are provided transportation, lodging, and food, or they must be reimbursed promptly for reasonable and necessary authorized expenses if they purchase them. AOs must authorize reimbursement for other travel-related expenses appropriate to the mission.
- 3. It is *mandatory* that travelers arrange commercial transportation, rental cars (if authorized), through an available CTO or in-house travel arranger in accordance with TRANSCOM policy. Government and/or commercial lodging should also be arranged through the CTO. The CTO estimates the total cost for the trip (a "should-cost" estimate) forming the reimbursement basis.
- 4. It is *mandatory* that travelers make their official travel and transportation arrangements through the CTO. Only in extremely unusual circumstances in which the traveler cannot communicate with the CTO should the CTO not be used. Travelers:
  - a. Who do not use a CTO or the Government travel card to purchase transportation must forward the ticket coupon, and/or the receipt for the excess baggage costs, with the Trip Record for reimbursement,
  - b. Must use coach-class for all official travel, unless premium-class accommodations are authorized prior to travel by the appropriate level listed in par. U3125-B2a or U3125-B2b.

- (1) See JTR, par. C2000-A2c/JFTR, par. U2000-A2c for medical reasons, or
- (2) TDY mission timing requires premium-class. When premium-class TDY transportation is authorized because the mission timing is "so urgent it cannot be postponed," premium-class travel should only by authorized to the TDY site. Coach-class accommodations use should be annotated on the trip record and used for the return flight if the return flight is not critical and traveler can rest before reporting back to work. See JFTR pars. U3125-B2a and U3125-B2b and JTR, pars. C2204-B2a and C2204-B2b.
- c. Must *not* use foreign flag transportation even if U.S. flag carrier fares are higher,
- d. Who use premium-class or a foreign flag transportation presumably at Government expense must provide adequate acceptable justification that meets the requirements of the JFTR/JTR to the AO for reimbursement, and
- e. Should contact the AO and CTO as soon as possible after personally making arrangements to get the Trip Record updated, and arrangements confirmed, and/or to get alternate arrangements.
- 5. Travelers are advised, in advance, of their allowances, the arrangements made for them, probable expenses, and a good estimate of what they should be reimbursed.
- 6. Travelers should have use of a Government-sponsored, contractor-issued travel charge card. The policies and procedures for the Government travel charge card program (including central billing and unit cards) are found in the DoD Financial Management Regulation (DoD 7000.14-R), Volume 9, "Travel Policy and Procedures."
- 7. Travelers should turn in the expense report portion of the Trip Record and be paid every 30 days when the TDY is over 45 days. This ensures travelers are paid for expenses in about the same time as charge card bills are received.
- 8. Travelers must comply with Federal and Departmental ethics rules when accepting travel benefits (i.e., goods, services or payment) from non-Federal sources. For DoD personnel, see Joint Ethics Regulation, DoD 5500.7-R, Chapter 4. For Coast Guard personnel, see COMDTINST M5370.8 (series). For NOAA Corps personnel, see Department of Commerce Administrative Order 202-735. For Public Health Service personnel, see Commissioned Corps Personnel Manual CC26.1, Inst 1. Travelers may keep items of nominal value (as defined in applicable ethics regulations). Travelers also may keep benefits received for voluntarily vacating a seat on an overbooked flight, but are not to vacate their seats if the Government would incur additional costs or if it would affect the mission.

#### 9. Retaining Promotional Items

a. A traveler on official business traveling at Government expense on the funds of an agency (See definition in Appendix A) may keep promotional material (including frequent traveler benefits such as points or miles, upgrades, or access to carrier clubs or facilities) for personal use. This applies to promotional items received before, on, or after 31 December 2001.

b. The promotional material must be obtained under the same terms as those offered to the general public and must be at no additional Government cost.

- c. Promotional items received for travel using funds other than those of an agency are not covered by this rule. Travelers should seek guidance from those funding authorities.
- 10. Travelers must be treated as honest, responsible customers, but they must follow the rules in this regulation. The DoD Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Volume 9, JFTR, par. U2505, and JTR, par. C1305, apply when a fraudulent claim submission is suspected.

#### **T4025 ARRANGING OFFICIAL TRAVEL**

#### A. CTO Use

- 1. <u>Mandatory Policy</u>. It is DoD *mandatory policy* that travelers use available CTOs to arrange official travel, including transportation and rental cars.
- 2. <u>Service Regulations</u>. See DoD component/Service regulations for CTO use information.
- 3. Failure to Follow Regulations
  - a. Commands/units are expected to take appropriate disciplinary action when travelers and/or AOs fail to follow the regulations concerning CTO use (see par. T4005).
  - b. Disciplinary action should be for *willful* violations and may be in the form of counseling (oral/written), or non-judicial action (uniformed personnel), or other personnel means (civilian employees). Action must *not* be through refusal to reimburse. See par. T4025-A4 below for exceptions when reimbursement is *not* allowed.
- 4. <u>Reimbursement Not Allowed</u>. Reimbursement Is *not allowed* when the traveler does not follow the regulations for foreign flag carriers (see par. T4025-C).

#### B. Requirements

- 1. When making travel arrangements, travelers should use the following:
  - a. Services available under a TMS (see Appendix A), or
  - b. In-house travel offices.

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- 2. All travel arrangements must be made in accordance with:
  - \*a. DoDD 4500.9 (Transportation and Traffic Management) at <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/html/45009.htm">http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/html/45009.htm</a>;
  - \*b. DoDI 4500.42 (DoD Passenger Transportation Reservation and Ticketing Services) at <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/html/450042.htm">http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/html/450042.htm</a>; and

- c. Service regulations.
- C. <u>Foreign Ship or Aircraft Transportation</u>. Transportation on foreign ships or aircraft must *not* be authorized/approved unless the conditions in par. T4060-B1d are met (see also JFTR, par. U3125-C and JTR, par. C2204-B).

#### D. <u>Transportation Reimbursement</u>

- 1. <u>CTO Available</u>. When a CTO is available but the traveler arranges transportation through a non-contract travel agent or common carrier direct purchase, reimbursement is limited to the amount the Government would have paid if the arrangements had been made directly through a CTO.
- 2. <u>CTO Not Available</u>. When the AO certifies that a CTO was/is not available to arrange transportation, reimbursement is paid for the actual cost of the authorized or approved transportation NTE the least expensive unrestricted commercial coach fare that meets mission requirements.

#### T4030 GETTING THERE AND BACK (TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCES)

- A. <u>Type of Travel</u>. The AO may direct travel by any mode (e.g., Government or commercial air, bus, train) except the AO cannot require the traveler to use a personal or rental vehicle for official travel. *If a certain mode is directed and another mode is used, the traveler may only receive transportation reimbursement up to the directed transportation mode cost.*
- B. <u>Commercial Transportation</u>. The Services must require that CTOs arrange commercial transportation in accordance with law, Government policies, agreements and contracted rates using American flag carriers and coach-class accommodations whenever possible. The AO may, under certain conditions, authorize the CTO to arrange other than contract city-pair flights, or to arrange foreign flag carriers, or business- (but not first-) -class accommodations (*see JTR*, *par. C1060*, *NOTE 1* and *JFTR*, *par. U4326*, *NOTE 1*) when needed to fulfill a documented mission requirement as specified in par. T4060-B1. Only the officials listed in JTR, par. C2204-B2 and JFTR, par. U3125-B2 may authorize business or first-class accommodations use.

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C. Rental Vehicles (Includes Aircraft). When use of a rental vehicle is authorized for official business by the AO, reimbursement is authorized for the rental costs, taxes and local assessments on rental vehicle users, necessary gas and oil, landing and tie-down fees, and transportation to and from the rental facility (see JFTR, par. U1410 and JTR par. C1410). When possible, the CTO, per TRANSCOM policy, reserves a rental vehicle from a company that subscribes to the SDDC rental car agreement. *Travelers are not reimbursed for rental car insurance coverage purchased in the United States or its territories and possessions regardless of the vendor from whom the rental car is rented.* Travelers are reimbursed for mandatory rental car insurance coverage required in foreign countries. When a compact rental car (the "standard" for TDY travel), does not meet requirements, the AO may authorize the size vehicle appropriate to the mission. Claims for damage to rental vehicles while being used for official business are reimbursable to the traveler or the rental car company, as appropriate, as miscellaneous transportation expenses if adjudicated as payable under the procedures set forth in the DoD Financial Management Regulation (Volume 9, Chapter 4) (found at website <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/comptroller/fmr/">http://www.dtic.mil/comptroller/fmr/</a>) (or appropriate Service regulations for the non-DoD Services). Reimbursement for personal funds for damage sustained by a rented automobile while being used on other than official business is not authorized.

#### D. Government Transportation

1. The TO arranges international government airlift under Air Mobility Command (AMC) contract/control, when it is available and satisfies mission requirements.

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2. The TO provides Government ground transportation. (Within the Navy, Government vehicles are obtained directly from the providers, ordinarily Public Works.) Only use Government transportation for official business to go to and from: the TDY location, where the traveler is staying, places to eat, and other places for comfort and health reasons. If it is used for any other purpose and the traveler has an accident, the traveler may have to cover the expenses and liabilities. Use Government servicing for the vehicle whenever possible. When Government servicing is not available, the AO may authorize reimbursement of actual vehicle operating expenses.

- E. Private Vehicle. When a private vehicle use is approved by the AO as the best way for travel to be performed, reimbursement is authorized at the standard rate per mile for the type of vehicle and the distance between duty locations or between home and TDY location(s). Reimbursement of parking fees, ferry fares, road, bridge and tunnel tolls for travel over a direct route is authorized. If the AO does not approve using a private vehicle and one is used anyway, reimbursement is authorized at the standard rate per mile plus reimbursable expenses but the amount is limited to the should-cost estimate of AO-approved transportation. In either case, reimbursement is only authorized for the driver. If reimbursement at the published rate does not cover expenses, or if there is no established rate for the type of vehicle being used, the AO may authorize reimbursement of necessary transportation costs incurred for uniformed personnel. For distance determination see JFTR, par. U2020 or JTR, par. C1065 (DTOD requirements).
- F. Rest Stops. Normally, travelers are not required to travel during unreasonable hours at night. If the traveler is required to travel during normal sleeping hours, or the scheduled flight time including stopovers and plane changes exceeds 14 hours and the traveler is not authorized first/business-class accommodations, the AO may authorize a rest stop en route or a rest period at the TDY location before reporting for duty. Scheduled flight time is the time between the scheduled aircraft departure from the airport serving the PDS/TDY point and the scheduled aircraft arrival at the airport serving the TDY point/PDS. Rest stops must not exceed 24 hours. NOTE: A traveler is disqualified from using business-class accommodations at Government expense if (a) a 'stopover' en route is an overnight stay, (b) a rest stop en route is authorized, or (c) an overnight rest period occurs at the TDY location before beginning work.
- G. Insurance Coverage in Foreign Areas. The AO may authorize reimbursement for additional insurance coverage in foreign areas for a rental, Government, or private vehicle used for official travel.

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- \*H. Allowable Travel Days. The number of allowed travel days is determined by the transportation mode. For commercial air travel, one day is allowed in CONUS and within OCONUS areas. For travel between CONUS and OCONUS via commercial air, the actual elapsed time is used based on the scheduled departure and arrival times. For travel by commercial ground transportation, the scheduled departure and arrival dates are used. The actual time is used for travel by government/government-procured air transportation based on scheduled departure and arrival dates. When the AO authorizes travel by private, rental or Government vehicle (other than government/governmentprocured air), one travel day is allowed for each 400 miles or increment thereof. If travel by privately owned vehicle is used but not authorized by the AO as advantageous, travel time is limited to one day for each leg (for example, from PDS to TDY stop) requiring an overnight stay.
- I. Authorized Trips Home during Extended Business or Training TDY. The AO may permit round-trip transportation and per diem en route for a traveler, who routinely travels on business or training TDY for periods of more than three weeks, to return periodically to the PDS or home for non-workdays.
- J. Voluntary Return Home during Intervening Weekend/Holidays. If the AO does not authorize travel home periodically on weekends or non-workdays, it may still be performed for personal convenience. If so, reimbursement for the round-trip transportation and en route per diem is authorized but limited to the amount of per diem the Government would have paid had the traveler remained at the TDY location.

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\*K. Constructed Cost. Constructed transportation costs are based on the non-capacity controlled city-pair airfare, not the capacity-controlled city-pair airfare, if both are available. If a city-pair airfare is not available between origin and destination, the constructed transportation cost is limited by the least expensive unrestricted coach-class airfare (except as limited by JFTR, par. U3125-B1f/JTR, par. C2204-B1f). City-pair airfare transportation is presumed available if there is a city-pair airfare between the origin and destination points, regardless of whether or not space would actually have been available had the traveler used air transportation for the official travel.

### **T4040 LIVING EXPENSES (PER DIEM)**

The "Lodging Plus" method is used to reimburse TDY living expenses. Travelers are paid the actual cost of lodging up to a limit, plus a set amount for M&IE. Rates for lodging and M&IE vary by location, but should be sufficient for a comfortable, safe trip. Travelers also can be reimbursed for other necessary travel-related expenses if the AO approves them as appropriate to the mission.

#### A. Lodging Overnight Required -Business Travel Standards

# 1. Sleeping

- a. The CTO makes lodging reservations and reflects the estimate of their cost (including taxes) on the Trip Record.
- b. <u>Uniformed Members</u> The AO may direct adequate available Government quarters use for uniformed members on a U.S. Installation only if the uniformed member is TDY to that installation. The commander responsible for the quarters determines their adequacy based on DoD and Service directives. Only adequate quarters are to be offered through the reservation system. If Government quarters use is directed for a member and other lodging is used, the member's reimbursement is limited to the Government quarters cost unless the Trip Record notes non-availability (by confirmation number, if provided by the Service in its registration process.)

#### c. Civilian Employees

- (1) Employees may not be ordered/required to use Government quarters, nor may the lodging reimbursement simply be limited to the Government quarters cost. In compliance with the requirement to exercise prudence when incurring expenses, employees should check for Government quarters availability (e.g., through their CTOs), and are encouraged to use those quarters when TDY to a U.S. Installation. However, if Government quarters are available on that installation for an employee TDY to a U.S. Installation, the proper authority under par. C4550-C may prescribe a reduced per diem rate based on the Government quarters cost. Reduced per diem rates can only be established before travel begins.
- (2) The head of a DoD component (see Appendix A) concerned may authorize zero per diem or per diem rates in lesser amounts than those prescribed in <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a> the circumstances of the travel or duty to be performed so warrant and are peculiar to that particular DoD component. This authority may be delegated to a chief of an appropriate bureau or staff agency of the headquarters of the DoD component concerned or to a commander/head of DON activity, and may not be re-delegated. In the absence of a reduced or no per diem authorization on the travel order before travel begins (or part of an order amendment covering a prospective period after the order modification), travel orders, modified after the fact, prescribing per diem rates different from those

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prescribed in <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a> are without effect. The locality rates in <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a> are used. Reduced per diem rates should incorporate amounts for laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothes if the travel is OCONUS or for less than 4 days in CONUS. See <a href="https://ocented.perdiemrates.html">NOTE 1</a> (applicable to civilian employees) following par. T4040-A3 for an explanation concerning separate reimbursement for laundry/dry cleaning/pressing of clothing.

- d. Commercial lodging reimbursement is based on the single occupant rate, up to the maximum of the TDY site or stopover location. If the CTO can find only lodgings that cost more than the published maximum rate, the AO may authorize the higher amount such that the actual lodging cost and the per diem M&IE does not exceed 300 percent of the published rate (lodging plus M&IE). For example, a member is TDY to a location with a maximum per diem of \$110 (\$76 for lodging and \$34 M&IE). The AO could authorize up to \$296 for lodging (300% x \$110 = \$330 \$34 = \$296). These rates must be placed on the Trip Record. Under special or unusual circumstances a uniformed member may require more than 300% for lodging OCONUS. Rates in excess of 300% may be authorized *only in advance* by PDTATAC or Secretary concerned for *only uniformed members* (see JFTR, par. U4250). The traveler is responsible for anything charged beyond the basic room fee and taxes. Travelers are to keep all lodging receipts. *An AEA may not be authorized for meals and incidental expenses*.
- <u>NOTE 1:</u> The maximum amount allowed for lodging in the United States and non-foreign OCONUS areas (see <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>) does not include an amount for lodging taxes. Taxes on lodging in the United States and non-foreign OCONUS areas are separately reimbursable travel expenses except when MALT PLUS per diem for POC travel is paid to a uniformed member.
- <u>NOTE 2:</u> The maximum amount allowed for lodging in foreign countries (see <a href="https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html">https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html</a>) includes an amount for lodging taxes. Taxes on lodging in foreign countries are not separately reimbursable.
- e. Reimbursement of lodging cost when staying with friends or relatives is not authorized.
- f. If the traveler is on TDY at one location for more than 30 days, lodging reservations should be made on a weekly, monthly, or other long-term basis if possible. When longer term lodging is used, the allowable lodging cost includes the rent; charges for furniture rental (as long as an option to buy is not exercised); utilities connections, use and disconnection fees; cleaning fees; telephone monthly use fees, but not toll charges; and other services ordinarily provided by a hotel. The CTO should be used to make these arrangements unless the CTO does not provide this service.
  - (1) If a recreational vehicle (RV) is used for lodging, additional fees considered part of the lodging cost are the charge for the RV parking space, dumping and shower fees, special user fees (for example, cable TV charges) if normally included in the price of hotel rooms in the area, and plug-in fees. Expenses that do not accrue on a daily basis (such as dumping fees) may be averaged over the number of days the traveler is authorized per diem.
  - \*(2) A traveler may purchase and occupy a residence at a TDY location. Allowable expenses are the monthly:
    - (a) Mortgage interest;
    - (b) Property tax; and

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> (c) Utility costs actually incurred (does not include any installation and hook-up charges), e.g., electricity, natural gas, water, fuel oil, sewer charges.

prorated based on the number of days in the month rather than by the actual number of days the traveler occupied the residence. (57 Comp. Gen. 147 (1977)). In no case may the total per diem payable exceed the applicable maximum locality rate for the area unless an AEA (see JFTR, Chapter 4, Part C or JTR, Chapter 4, Part M) is authorized/approved. The provisions of JFTR, par. U4141 and JTR, par. C4555-G do not apply when the residence is purchased.

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g. If the traveler incurs an exchange fee to trade an owned timeshare period for a comparable period at lodgings at the TDY point, the exchange fee (but not the annual maintenance fee) is reimbursed as a lodging cost (B-254626, 17 February 1994).

## 2. Eating

- a. The M&IE for the departure day is 75% of the M&IE rate for the traveler's stopover point or TDY location, as appropriate, that night. If the traveler is traveling and lodging is not used, the M&IE rate is based on the next stopover point or TDY location. The M&IE for the return day to the PDS is 75% of the M&IE rate for the last TDY location or stopover point, as appropriate.
- b. On other days, the allowance for meals and incidentals is the full M&IE for the TDY location or stopover point where lodgings are required unless the AO specifies one of two other meal rates based on Government mess availability. The two rates are either the Government meal rate (GMR) when all meals on a given day are available or the proportional meal rate (PMR) when at least one meal a day is available. (Incidental expenses are added to the GMR or PMR.) A Government mess is available only if: Government lodging on a U.S. installation is available and the command controlling the mess has made the mess available to travelers. A Government mess is not available on interim travel days. When actual mess availability differs from the pre-trip information, the AO may authorize a higher rate (e.g., from PMR plus incidental expenses to locality M&IE rate). The meal rate established cannot be reduced after-the-fact except for a free meal as described in par. T4040-A2c below.
- c. When the Government purchases at least one, but not all three, meals on a calendar day through some means such as a registration fee, the PMR plus incidental expenses applies for that day. This does not apply on travel days to and from the PDS. Meals served on common carriers are not "purchased by the Government." The traveler must indicate on the Trip Record how many meals were free or purchased by the Government and for which dates. NOTE: If all three meals are provided, only the incidental expenses for that day are payable.

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3. Incidental Expenses (IE). Travelers are paid an allowance for miscellaneous expenses, such as tips and laundry (in some instances), incurred while traveling. This is the IE part of the M&IE. The daily IE in CONUS is \$3.00. The OCONUS daily IE is the rate for the applicable locality per diem, or \$3.50 when the AO determines \$3.50 to be adequate for anticipated incidental expenses.

#### **NOTE 1:** Applicable to civilian employees:

1. The cost incurred during TDY/PCS travel (not after arriving at or returning to the PDS) for personal laundry, dry-cleaning, and pressing of clothing is a separately reimbursable travel expense in addition to per diem/AEA when travel is within CONUS and requires at least 4 consecutive nights TDY/PCS lodging in CONUS.

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2. The cost for laundry, dry-cleaning, and/or pressing of clothing is not a separately reimbursable travel expense for travel OCONUS and is included as an incidental expense within the per diem authorized for OCONUS travel.

### **NOTE 2:** Applicable to uniformed members:

- 1. The cost incurred during TDY travel (not after returning to the PDS) for personal laundry/dry-cleaning and pressing of clothing, up to an average of \$2 per day, is a separately reimbursable travel expense in addition to per diem/AEA when travel within CONUS requires at least 7 consecutive nights TDY lodging in CONUS.
- 2. The cost incurred during TDY travel for personal laundry/dry-cleaning and pressing of clothing is not a separately reimbursable expense for OCONUS travel and is part of the incidental expense allowance included within the per diem rates authorized for OCONUS travel.
- B. Lodging Overnight Required Schoolhouse Training Standards
  - 1. Schoolhouse training standards are the same as for business travel. However, for training, the training location commander, not the AO, decides if use of Government quarters by uniformed members is directed and if one of the two M&IE rates based on Government mess availability is appropriate. Use of Government quarters and/or Government mess may not be directed for civilian employees (par. T4040-A1c).
  - 2. In some situations, the Secretary concerned may approve Essential Unit Messing (EUM) for students in particular courses when readiness requires Government mess use. When EUM applies, members get incidental expense reimbursement, civilians get incidental expense reimbursement and reimbursement for the amount paid for food. The prohibition on the meal portion of per diem begins at 0001 on the first full day of EUM and ends at 2400 on the last full day of EUM. The AO may authorize the actual amount paid up to the PMR for commercial meals the traveler is required to purchase.
  - 3. The Trip Record must indicate mess availability. If that information is not available prior to the trip, the information must be provided to the traveler upon arrival at the school and the trip report changed. When actual mess availability differs from the pre-trip information, the AO may authorize on a daily basis the PMR (1 or 2 meals) plus incidental expense or the locality M&IE rate (all 3 meals) depending on how many meals were available. The traveler must note on the Trip Record how many meals by date were not available.
- C. Lodging Overnight Required Standards for Deployment, Personnel Traveling Together with No/Limited Reimbursement, and TDY Aboard Ships. Other reimbursable expenses (pars. T4040-E and T4040-F) are authorized in the same manner as for business travel. The AO may authorize the actual amount paid up to the PMR (but no incidental expenses) for meals and/or payment for lodging when the traveler is not authorized per diem but is required to purchase these items. See par. T4040-A1c if the lodging cost exceeds the published maximum rate.
  - 1. Personnel traveling together refers to travel away from the PDS during which the mission requires control of the group of travelers. Ordinary business travel reimbursements apply unless the travelers' orders direct no/limited reimbursement, in which case all transportation, food, lodging, and other items ordinarily reimbursed, should be provided to the travelers. No per diem is payable when no/limited reimbursement is directed in the orders for personnel traveling together. The restriction on paying per diem only includes travel days between duty locations and does not involve allowances for full days at duty locations. The per diem prohibition begins when the member departs the PDS and ends at 2400 of the day the member arrives at the TDY location. The prohibition begins again at 0001 of the departure day from the TDY location until arrival at the PDS. Most members pay the food cost without operating expense, and civilians pay the food cost and operating expense. Civilians are authorized reimbursement of the amount paid for food. *Directing several* personnel to travel together with no/limited reimbursement must never be done simply to save travel funds.

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2. Training exercises, maneuvers, war games, and similar types of operations may be classified as field duty when everything ordinarily associated with per diem is furnished without charge. Per diem is not payable during field duty. The prohibition on per diem begins at 0001 on the first full day of field duty and ends at 2400 on the last full day of field duty. Lodging is provided and most members pay some amount for food; civilians also pay for food. Civilians are authorized reimbursement of the amount paid for food. When the Secretary concerned, or Combatant Commander or JTF commander for a joint deployment, determines that Government messing is essential to accomplish training and readiness, EUM applies. The meals portion of the M&IE is not payable to members. Civilians are authorized reimbursement of the amount paid for food. All EUM travelers are authorized the incidental expense. See par. T4020-B2.

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3. Joint deployments involve the temporary assignment of travelers of more than one uniformed service to a provisional force formed for a specific task or operation. TDY options include regular business travel, EUM, or field duty. The Combatant or JTF Commander determines the appropriate option and may specify different options for different locations. For example, field duty might be appropriate for the main body of the deployed force, but business travel might be appropriate for an interim staging base. In choosing the option to use, the Combatant or JTF Commander should consider, in the following priority: business travel, EUM, field duty. Under normal circumstances, the Combatant Commander should choose business travel unless operational circumstances dictate otherwise. In general, business travel is appropriate for peacekeeping, humanitarian, and relief missions. The Combatant or JTF Commander may approve EUM when it enhances operational readiness, the conduct of military operations, or is necessary to conduct training. It applies to units only, not to individual travelers. Table 1 shows the effect of each option on per diem. Exception: A traveler receiving the GMR rate while TDY to a JTF Commander's area of responsibility (AOR), who travels within that AOR, is not traveling for M&IE purposes for par. T4040-A2b (e.g., If a TDY traveler travels from one location in the AOR to another location in the AOR, and the GMR rate applies to both locations, then the GMR applies for that day unless Government meals are not available). The Combatant or JTF Commander must communicate the TDY option decision (including the appropriate meal rate) to the appropriate Services for inclusion in orders.

# 4. TDY Aboard Ships

- a. No per diem is payable when TDY aboard a U.S. ship since quarters and mess are provided. Civilians are reimbursed for the amount paid for food. The prohibition on per diem begins at 0001 on the day after the arrival day on board and ends at 2400 on the day before the departure day from the ship.
- b. The AO may authorize payment of a per diem when the traveler is TDY aboard a foreign or commercial ship and incurs an expense for other than Government meals. The AO may establish a per diem allowance equal to the daily expenses.

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# JOINT TASK FORCE OPERATIONS TDY OPTIONS

# **SUBSIST ASHORE**

TDY OPTION	SUBSISTENCE	PER DIEM	REMARKS
Business Travel	Commercial Lodging and Commercial Meals	Lodging and M&IE	Member/Employee Pays for Lodging and Meals
	Government Lodging and Government Meals – Permanent U.S. Installation	Lodging and M&IE	Member/Employee Pays for Lodging and Full Meal Rate 1/ for Government Meals
	Government Lodging and Government Meals – Temporary U.S. Installation or Temporary Dining Facilities Established for JTF Operation	Lodging and M&IE	Member/Employee Pays for Lodging and for Government Meals at Discount Meal Rate 2/
	Government Lodging and Commercial Meals	Lodging and M&IE	Member/Employee Pays for Lodging and Meals
	Commercial Lodging and Government Meals (In AOR only)	Lodging and M&IE	Member/Employee Pays for Lodging and Full Meal Rate for Government Meals
Essential Unit Messing	Government Lodging and Use of Government Meals is Essential for Training and Readiness Purposes	IE	Civilian Pays for Government Meals at Full Meal Rate
Field Duty	Government Lodging, Meals and Incidentals Provided	None	Civilian pays for Government Meals at Full Meal Rate

# **SUBSIST ABOARD GOVERNMENT SHIP 3/**

	SUBSISTENCE	PER DIEM	REMARKS
TDY	Government Lodging and Government Meals	None	Civilian pays for Meals

- 1/ Full Meal Rate = Food costs plus operating expenses.
- 2/ Discount Meal Rate = Food costs only.
- 3/ Members/employees deployed who are ordered to subsist ashore see "Subsist Ashore" (above table) for order type and payment guidelines.

<u>NOTE</u>: For BAS see DoDFMR, Volume 7A, Chapter 25 or Coast Guard, COMDTINST M7220.29 (series), Chapter 3.

Table 1. Deployment - Joint Operations TDY Options

#### D. Lodging Overnight Not Required

1. Transportation. Travelers should arrange for transportation through the CTO, even though overnight lodging is not required. If the travel is in the local area (see JFTR, par. U3500, and JTR, par. C2400-B) around the PDS, a Government vehicle, public transportation paid for by the command, or a private vehicle may be used. If a private vehicle is used to and from home, the traveler is authorized the standard mileage rate for the distance driven, minus the normal distance driven to and from work. If the traveler does not drive to work every day, the traveler is reimbursed the standard mileage rate for the distance driven, less the traveler's normal transportation cost to get to work. The AO decides the reimbursement amount based on the premise that a traveler is to be paid the difference between the cost of using the vehicle and the traveler's normal cost to get to work. In addition, travelers are authorized reimbursement for other expenses such as tolls and parking when using their private vehicles. For distance determination see JFTR, par. U2020 or JTR, par. C1065 (DTOD requirements).

2. Meals. With two limited exceptions (see par. T4060-B11), a traveler may not be paid for meals within the traveler's PDS boundaries. For travel outside the PDS limits, when the TDY is more than 12 hours, reimbursement is 75% of the M&IE rate for the TDY location (using the highest rate if there is more than one TDY location). No per diem is authorized when TDY is for 12 or fewer hours. However, the AO may authorize reimbursement of the actual amount paid, up to the PMR (not including incidental expenses) for the TDY location, when a uniformed member spends more than the cost of normal meal arrangements during travel outside the PDS limits (see JFTR, par. U4510 for occasional meals authority).

NOTE: Mission-related or personal expenses are not reimbursable. These include batteries, tools, film, gifts for child care, house care, pet care, hotel concierge, or workout room/gym fees, and similar expenses.

- E. Miscellaneous Expenses. Travelers are authorized reimbursement for necessary travel and transportation-related miscellaneous expenses incurred on official business. These expenses include:
  - 1. The cost of traveler's checks, money orders, or certified checks for up to the amount of estimated per diem and/or AEAs, and/or travel expenses for the authorized travel;

#### 2. ATM Fees

- a. **UNIFORMED MEMBERS**. Administrative fees for ATM use to obtain money with:
  - (1) The Government-sponsored Contractor-issued Travel Charge Card (Government charge card), or
  - (2) An ATM or personal charge card used by personnel exempt from the requirement to use the Government charge card for official travel,

up to the amount authorized for an advance for the travel concerned. Reimbursement for ATM administrative fees related to use of an ATM or personal charge card is at the rates applicable to that card if an advance is not otherwise provided by cash or check. See OSD Comptroller memo of 19 Jul 2002 and Volume 9, Chapter 3 of the "DoD Financial Management Regulations, available at: http://www.dtic.mil/ comptroller/fmr/09/09 03.pdf, for information on personnel exempt from the requirement to use the Government charge card:

b. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. Administrative fees for ATM use to obtain money with the Governmentsponsored Contractor-issued Travel Charge Card up to the amount authorized for a cash advance for the travel concerned. Administrative fees for ATM use to obtain money with an ATM or personal charge card are not reimbursable to civilian employees.;

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3. Fees for passports, visas (including green cards, photographs for OCONUS travel; see JFTR, par. U1415 & JTR, par. C1415) and physical examinations required to obtain a visa if examinations could not be obtained at a Government medical facility (as of 11/1/01 obtainable only in Yokosuka, Japan) (GSBCA 15435-RELO, 9 April 2001)).

#### NOTE:

- (1) A travel order/authorization may be issued to authorize/approve (see JFTR, par. U2115/JTR, Chapter 3, Part B) travel and transportation at Government expense to a visa issuing office located outside the local area of the traveler's PDS if the traveler's presence at that office is/was mandatory;
- (2) A travel authorization may be issued to authorize/approve (see JFTR, par. U2115/JTR, Chapter 3, Part B) travel and transportation at Government expense to undergo a physical examination required to obtain a visa if travel is/was required to a location outside the local area of the traveler's PDS;
  - \*a. Expenses for legal services for obtaining or processing applications for passports, visas (including green cards) are reimbursable if local laws or custom require the use of lawyers in processing such applications.
  - b. A traveler ordinarily travels on a no-fee passport. However, fees for such passports are reimbursable when travel on an official order/authorization is to and/or from a high threat area or high risk airport (see http://travel.state.gov/warnings list.html) by commercial air and the traveler is authorized to obtain and use a regular fee passport. Those traveling solely by MILAIR or AMC charter flight are not reimbursed for regular fee passports unless Government transportation became available on short notice (that is, after commercial travel arrangements had been made and a passport purchased) or the travel priority is sufficiently high to require backup travel arrangements.
  - c. Dependents' fee is reimbursable except in connection with personal travel. Example: The United Kingdom Entry Clearance Fee is a reimbursable fee.
  - d. Medical fees, even though incurred as a consequence of the entry requirements of a country to which the traveler is sent are not reimbursable, except as in JFTR, par. U1410-A5 and JTR, par. C1410-A5 for inoculations.
  - e. Legal service expenses in obtaining passports or visas (including green card), for TDY or PCS, are not reimbursable even though local laws or custom may require the use of lawyers.
- 4. The cost of birth certificates or other acceptable evidence of birth for OCONUS travel (pars. T4040-E3e and T4040-E3f in this appendix apply to this expense).

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- 5. Taxes on lodging
  - a. Tax reimbursement is limited to the taxes on reimbursable lodging costs (for example, if a traveler is authorized a maximum lodging rate of \$60 per night, and the traveler elects to stay at a hotel that costs \$110 per night, the traveler may only be reimbursed the taxes on \$60, which is the maximum authorized lodging amount); and
  - b. Taxes for lodging in foreign OCONUS locations are part of per diem/AEA and are not separately reimbursable.

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#### 6. Fees for:

- a. Currency conversion. Travelers:
  - (1) Are not authorized reimbursement for losses, nor are they liable for gains, resulting from currency conversions (63 Comp. Gen. 554 (1984));
  - (2) Who pay with credit cards for OCONUS expenses may desire to check with the credit card vendor to see what the final bill is in US currency prior to travel claim submission. They can then use the currency exchange rate at which the credit card bill was settled to determine OCONUS expenses.
  - (3) May have to submit travel vouchers prior to having access to the actual amount billed on the credit card. When the actual amount in U.S. currency is not known until after the required travel claim submission date, travelers should make themselves aware of any financial regulations that require submission of a supplemental voucher if the amount(s) submitted as expenses differ(s) from the actual amount billed on the initial travel claim.
- b. Cashing U.S. Government checks/drafts issued for reimbursement of expenses for travel in foreign countries, (cashing salary checks/drafts is not included);
- c. Airport transit, service charges/ taxes, landing, port taxes, embarkation/debarkation or similar mandatory charges assessed against travelers on arrival/departure from carrier terminals when not included in ticket cost (52 Comp. Gen. 73 (1972)); and
- d. Energy surcharge and/or resort fee (when the fee is not optional);
- 7. CTO service and processing fees;
- 8. Transportation-related tips for taxis, limousines, and courtesy transportation;
- 9. Transportation costs to and from the transportation terminal (see JFTR, par. U3320, and Chapter 3, Part E; and JTR, Chapter 2, Part C);
- 10. Any additional costs of paper tickets *when authorized* by the AO as necessary to meet Government requirements (e.g., potential work stoppage by the airline or special circumstances involving international travel to foreign countries). *NOTE:* Paying for paper tickets sought by a traveler for personal convenience is the traveler's financial responsibility.; and
- 11. Trip insurance in a foreign country to cover potential liability for damage, personal injury, or death to third parties when travel is authorized by Government conveyance/POC and a Service-designated official determines that legal requirements/procedures of the foreign country involved make it necessary to carry such insurance (55 Comp. Gen. 1343 (1976));
- 12. Authorized expenses for:
  - a. Services, including associated equipment needed for reports/correspondence preparation;

- b. Clerical assistance;
- c. Services of guides, interpreters, packers, or vehicle drivers;
- d. Storage of property used on official business;
- e. Room rental (used for official business) at a hotel/other place;
- f. Inoculations that are not available through a Federal dispensary for OCONUS travel, (this does not include travel expenses incurred for obtaining the required inoculations);
- g. Official phone calls (see par. T4060-B5);
- h. Connections used for computers to perform official Government business;
- i. Excess baggage transportation costs;
- j. Conference registration fees when fees are a condition for attendance; <u>NOTE</u>: When the registration fee includes meal costs, per diem is computed under par. C4955-E3 for civilian employees, and par. U2555-E3 for uniformed members;
- k. Dual lodging costs, <u>NOTE</u>: Reimbursement must not exceed the amount of per diem or AEA plus appropriate (when separately reimbursable) lodging taxes that would have been paid had the traveler remained overnight.;
- l. Non-refundable room deposits, forfeited rental deposits or prepaid rent, and early checkout penalties when TDY is changed or canceled, <u>NOTE</u>: Reimbursement must not exceed the remaining amount of the per diem or AEA plus appropriate lodging taxes that would have been paid had the TDY not been curtailed or interrupted.;
- m. Expedited charge card delivery;
- n. Late payment delinquent fees involving the Government-sponsored Contractor-issued travel charge card only for those personnel who are placed in the category of mission critical travel or, who, through no fault of their own, are unable to file a travel voucher and pay the travel card bills because of the specific circumstances of the travel. See the revised guidance to DoDFMR, Volume 9, chapter 3, found in USD(C) memorandum dated 7 May 2002 for definition of mission critical personnel and processing requirements; and
- o. Lodging fees/daytime lodging charges (e.g., room occupancy lodging charges for late departure, early arrival, or airport daytime lodging facilities due to travel arrangements that are not for the convenience of the traveler).
- 13. Use of computers, printers, faxing machines, scanners, telegrams, cablegrams, or radiograms;
- 14. Parking fees at the transportation terminal, NTE the cost of taxi fares (including allowable tips) for one round-trip to and from the terminal (see JFTR, par. U3320; and JTR, par. C4657-B);

- 15. A Value Added Tax (VAT) certificate used to avoid paying TDY lodging taxes;
- 16. Tips for handling Government property at terminals and hotels;
- 17. <u>UNIFORMED MEMBERS ONLY</u>: Customary tips for handling any baggage at transportation terminals; and
- 18. <u>CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ONLY</u>: The cost during TDY travel (not after arriving at or returning to the PDS) for laundry, dry-cleaning, and/or pressing of clothing:
  - a. *Is* a separately reimbursable travel expense when travel within CONUS requires at least 4 consecutive nights TDY lodging in CONUS.
  - b. *Is not* a separately reimbursable travel expense for OCONUS travel. It is included as an incidental expense within the per diem/AEA authorized for OCONUS travel.
- 19. <u>UNIFORMED MEMBERS ONLY</u>: The cost during TDY travel (not after returning to the PDS) for laundry, dry-cleaning, and/or pressing of clothing:
  - (a) Up to an average of \$2 per day, *is* a separately reimbursable travel expense when TDY travel within CONUS requires at least 7 consecutive nights TDY lodging in CONUS. (i.e., 6 nights, no laundry, 7 nights, NTE \$14, 8 nights, NTE \$16);
  - (b) *Is not* a separately reimbursable travel expense for OCONUS travel. It is included as an incidental expense within the per diem/AEA authorized for OCONUS travel;
- 20. Any per-day administrative fee called for by the SDCC rental car agreements (including GARS); and
- 21. Similar travel related expenses.
- F. Reimbursement for Travel Expenses at the TDY Location
  - 1. Reimbursement is authorized for necessary travel expenses at the TDY location.
  - 2. Use of a Government vehicle/special conveyance is limited to official purposes such as transportation to and from (65 Comp. Gen. 253 (1986)):
    - a. Duty sites,
    - b. Lodgings,
    - c. Dining facilities,
    - d. Drugstores,

- e. Barber shops,
- f. Places of worship,
- g. Cleaning establishments, and
- h. Similar places required for the traveler's subsistence, health or comfort
- 3. If a Government vehicle/special conveyance is not authorized, the traveler is authorized reimbursement for necessary public transportation costs.
- 4. If private vehicle use is authorized, reimbursement is the automobile mileage rate times the miles driven for the necessary travel around the TDY location.
- 5. Travelers must note the required miles driven.

# T4045 TRAVEL ALLOWANCES FOR RESERVE COMPONENT PERSONNEL (48 Comp. Gen. 301 (1968))

- A. <u>General</u>. This paragraph applies to Reserve Component personnel on active/inactive duty under orders that provide for return home. For travel of cadets and midshipmen, applicants and members of the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (SROTC), Reserve travel for medical and dental care, members of the Ready Reserve on muster duty, retirees called to active duty and active duty for training tours of 20 or more weeks at one location (except as noted in par. U2146), see par. U7150.
- B. <u>Inactive Duty Training</u>. Reserve Component personnel commit to an obligation to participate in 48 scheduled training periods (inactive duty training (IDT) unit drills) a year. Services have different terms for these drills, such as unit training assemblies, or weekend drills. Inherent in this obligation is the travel between the member's home and the location where the member normally performs "drill" (the armory, reserve center, assembly location, etc.). They receive no reimbursement for that commute. For purposes of this subparagraph, *Assigned Unit* is a reserve member's designated post of duty and *TDY Station* is an alternate site outside the local commuting area (see par. U3500) of the member's assigned unit or home.
  - 1. <u>Travel from Home to Assigned Unit or Alternate Site in Local Commuting Area</u>. There is no authorization for travel and transportation allowances. The member may be authorized reimbursement under par. T4040-F for transportation expenses in and around the unit/site. When the member travels between home and an alternate site, the member is paid mileage for the distance that exceeds the distance from home to the assigned unit.
  - 2. <u>Travel from Home/Assigned Unit or Other Location to TDY Station</u>. The member is authorized allowances in par. T4040 and par. T4030, limited to travel cost from the assigned unit.
  - 3. <u>Travel from a Location Other than Home/Assigned Unit to an Alternate Site within the Local Commuting Area</u>. There is no authorization for travel and transportation allowances; however, the member is paid mileage for the distance traveled limited to the distance from the assigned unit to the alternate site less the distance from home to assigned unit.

C. <u>Travel for Annual Training (AT)</u>. For AT travel, members are authorized payment for 1 round trip between home and the AT site under par. T4030. If the AT is performed in two or more separate tours, the AO may authorize round-trip transportation for each tour. Per diem is payable under par. T4040-A for travel days to and from the AT location, unless the member commutes daily or the AO determines the member can commute.

- D. Per Diem Not Payable. No per diem is payable to:
  - 1. Reservists at an AT site when both Government quarters and meals are available, but the member is authorized reimbursement for the Government quarters charge. If Government quarters and/or meals are not available, per diem is payable under par. T4040-A;
  - 2. Reservists on active duty without pay;
  - 3. Newly enlisted members undergoing training when both Government quarters and meals are available;
  - 4. Public health service Officers called to active duty for Commissioned Officer Student Extern Program (COSTEP);
  - 5. Reservists who commute daily or AO determines members can commute except for authority under par. T4040-C if required to remain at the place of duty overnight outside the home's city limits;
  - 6. Reservists on inactive duty training except when duty is performed at a location other than the assigned unit (designated post of duty includes training duty station, drill site and city where located) or local area (see par. U3500) of the assigned unit or home. If required to occupy transient Government housing, reimbursement for actual lodging cost is authorized;
  - 7. Standby Reserves voluntarily performing without pay.
- E. Per Diem. When a Reserve Component member is ordered to:
  - 1. Schoolhouse training, par. T4030 applies for transportation and par. T4040-B for per diem;
  - 2. Deploy, to be one of personnel traveling together under orders directing no/limited reimbursement, on unit travel, field duty, or at sea training, par. T4040-C applies for per diem for periods under 20 weeks. Par. T4030 applies for transportation:
  - 3. Active duty for any other purpose for less than 20 weeks, per diem is determined under business travel rules in par. T4040-A, and transportation under par. T4030;
  - 4. Active duty for other than training for 140 or more days (20 or more weeks) because of unusual or emergency circumstances or exigencies of the Service and the Secretarial Process authorizes per diem, per diem is determined under the business travel rules in par. T4040-A (or deployment rules in par. T4040-C), and transportation under par. T4030.

F. <u>Funeral Honors Duty</u>. Members of the Reserve Components who perform funeral honors in a funeral honors duty status (under 10 USC §12503 or 32 USC §115) at a location 50 or more miles from the member's residence are authorized travel and transportation allowances as for business travel under pars. T4030 and T4040-A & T4040-D.

#### SUMMARY OF ALLOWANCES FOR RESERVE COMPONENTS PERSONNEL

#### **ACTIVE DUTY WITH PAY 1/**

SITUATION 2/	TRANSPORTATION 3/4/	PER DIEM
Annual training duty 5/	Par. T4030 applies.	Not authorized if Gov't qtrs 6/ & mess available 7/; else par. T4040 applies.
PHS officers called to active duty for Commissioned Officer Student and Extern Program (COSTEP).	Par. T4030 applies.	Not authorized.
Pipeline Studentnewly enlisted member undergoing training.	Normally performed as personnel traveling together with no/limited reimbursement (par. T4040-C). If not, may be authorized reimbursement under par. T4030.	Not authorized if Gov't qtrs & mess available.
Member commutes or AO determines member can commute.	Par. T4030-E applies for one-round trip only provided the place of active duty is outside home's town/city limits.	Not authorized - payment may be authorized under par. T4040-C if required to remain overnight at place of duty outside home's town/city limits.
Active duty for less than 20 weeks at one location.	Par. T4030 applies.	Par. T4040 applies.
Active duty for other than training, required by unusual or emergency circumstances or Service exigencies, for 140 or more days (20 or more weeks).	Par. T4030 applies if the Secretarial Process authorizes per diem, otherwise Chap 5 applies.	Par. T4040 applies if the Secretarial Process authorizes per diem, otherwise Chap 5 applies.

# **ACTIVE DUTY WITHOUT PAY**

	TRANSPORTATION	PER DIEM
Others performing duty without pay.	Service discretion to reimburse under par. T4040-C (as for personnel traveling together with no/limited reimbursement) and/or par. T4030-E (reimbursement on mileage basis) none for Standby Reserve.	Not authorized except occasional meals and/or quarters may be authorized (see par. T4040-C) for travel days only 8/.

1/ Applies to members of the reserve components called/ordered to active duty with pay under orders that provide for return to home or place from which called/ordered to active duty. Includes retired members called to active duty with or without pay (except for periodic physicals for members on the TDRL, see JFTR, par. U7250).

- 2/ Except as noted in JFTR, par. U2146.
- 3/ No travel and transportation allowances are authorized if place of duty and home are in the corporate limits of the same city or town.
- 4/ Reservists may not be paid for commuting from home to duty--only one round-trip may be paid.
- 5/ Since a training location is the PDS, no per diem is payable when Government quarters & mess are available. Per diem is payable when TDY away from the training location or for traveling to and from the AT location if not in a commuting status.
- 6/ Temporary lodging facilities are not Government quarters for purposes of this table.
- 7/ Reservists on active duty for training not otherwise authorized per diem who occupy transient Government housing may be reimbursed the actual cost incurred for service charges/lodging.
- 8/ Reservists on active duty for training not otherwise authorized per diem who occupy transient Government housing may be reimbursed the actual cost incurred for service charges/lodging.

#### **INACTIVE DUTY TRAINING WITH OR WITHOUT PAY 1/2/3/**

SITUATION	TRANSPORTATION	PER DIEM
Travel from home to Assigned Unit or alternate site in local commuting area of the member's assigned unit or home.	<ol> <li>May be authorized reimbursement under par. T4040-F.</li> <li>When the member travels between home and an alternate site, the member is paid mileage for the distance that exceeds the distance from home to the assigned unit.</li> </ol>	Not authorized.
Travel from home/assigned unit to TDY Station.	Par. T4030 applies limited to travel cost from the assigned unit.	Par. T4040 applies.
Travel from a location other than home/ assigned unit to TDY Station.	Par. T4030 applies limited to travel cost from the assigned unit.	Par. T4040 applies.
Travel from a location other than home/ assigned unit to alternate site within the local commuting area.	The member is paid mileage for the distance limited to the distance from the assigned unit to the alternate site less the distance from home to assigned unit.	Not authorized.
Standby Reserves voluntarily performing without pay.	Not authorized.	Not authorized.

Table is for informational purposes only. Allowances are prescribed in par. T4045.

- 1/ For travel allowance purposes, the assigned unit is the designated post of duty.
- 2/ TDY station is alternate site outside the local commuting area (see par. U3500) of the member's assigned unit or home for the purposes of this paragraph.

3/ Reservists on inactive duty for training who are not otherwise authorized per diem and who occupy transient Government housing may be reimbursed the actual cost incurred for service charges/lodging.

Table 2. TDY Allowances for Reserve Component Personnel

#### T4050 TAKING A TYPICAL BUSINESS TRIP

#### A. Before the Trip

- 1. <u>Getting a Cost Estimate</u>. Travelers should get a CTO should-cost estimate for the trip. It is the key to several travel and trip funding decisions. It lets the traveler and the AO know up-front the standard and actual arrangements, their associated costs, and the allowance maximums. It includes transportation costs to and from the TDY location, lodging costs (including taxes), and rental car (if authorized) fees. The estimate also must reflect the per diem rate broken out by M&IE and lodging. A traveler may ask the CTO to estimate the amount for using a private vehicle or other commercial transportation.
- 2. <u>Tailoring the Trip</u>. The AO decides if the traveler should use non-standard arrangements for mission reasons. The AO may authorize certain changes for the traveler's convenience (for example, using a car instead of flying). However, the standard arrangement's should-cost estimate (as the AO approves for mission reasons) is the reimbursement baseline.
- 3. <u>Getting Authorization for Travel</u>. The AO authorizes the TDY, the arrangements, and obligates funds to pay for the trip. The CTO updates the Trip Record with the fund cite provided by the AO. The resulting document is the travel authorization.
- 4. Getting the Travel Packet. The CTO gives the traveler the Trip Record with the confirmed reservations and commercial transportation tickets. The TO provides the documents needed for Government transportation if the CTO does not provide this service. *Travelers must guard tickets carefully*. However, if a transportation ticket issued to a traveler is lost or stolen, the traveler must make an immediate report to the CTO. The traveler is financially responsible to purchase a replacement ticket. If the Government pays for the lost/stolen transportation ticket, the traveler must not be reimbursed for the purchase of a replacement ticket until the Government has received a refund for the lost/stolen ticket. If the traveler paid for both tickets, reimbursement is authorized initially only for the first ticket purchased. If that first ticket is recovered, turned in for refund, and the Government repaid, the traveler may then be reimbursed for the second ticket NTE the cost of the first ticket. The traveler must return unused transportation tickets to the CTO.
- 5. <u>Paying for Arranged Services and Getting Cash to Pay for Expenses while Traveling</u>. The CTO must charge airline tickets, lodging, and rental car reservations on the traveler's individual or unit travel card; airline tickets in some cases may be charged to a centrally billed account. While on the trip, travelers should charge other

expenses incident to official travel on their individual or unit Government travel card whenever possible. For official travel-related expenses that cannot be charged, travelers can avoid using their own money by using their individual Government travel card to obtain cash advances or travelers checks. Advances are not an option on unit travel cards.

#### B. During the Trip

- 1. <u>Changing Plans</u>. If travel plans change from the itinerary, the traveler should call the CTO's 24-hour 1-800 number, if possible, to have the needed changes made. The CTO must update the traveler's Trip Record. The AO may approve the changes after the trip is complete. However, it is best if the traveler gets the AO's authorization up-front, and has the Trip Record updated. In any case, the traveler is reimbursed only for changes the AO approves on the Trip Record.
- 2. <u>Receipts</u>. Travelers must keep all receipts for lodging and receipts for any individual official travel expense of \$75 or more.

#### C. After the Traveler Returns

- 1. Filling out the Expense Report. A traveler should fill out and turn in the expense report portion of the Trip Record within 5 working days after returning from the trip. The receipts are to be attached to the expense report. Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) is the preferred method of reimbursement. Within EFT, the traveler has two options. The traveler may request (a) direct electronic transfer to the Government contracted travel card company of the authorized expenses charged to the card with the remainder going to the traveler's personal bank account, or (b) an electronic transfer of the full amount to the traveler's personal bank account. Under option (a), the traveler must not have to write a check to the travel card company for official expenses charged.
- 2. <u>Getting It Approved</u>. The AO must approve the expenses on the Trip Record for the traveler to get paid. This includes reviewing the required receipts.
- 3. <u>Turning in the Expense Report</u>. A finance office or an office contractually arranged by the traveler's Service or Agency may provide this service. The amount paid is the amount the AO approves.
- 4. Random Audits. Random audits of travel expense reports are conducted.

#### T4060 AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. <u>General</u>. Authorizing Officials have broad authority to determine when TDY travel is necessary to accomplish the unit's mission, authorize travel, obligate unit travel funds, approve trip arrangements, and authorize travel expenses incurred in connection with that mission. For civilian travelers, the AO must determine the purpose of the travel (see JTR/JFTR, Appendix H) for notation on the Trip Record. The CTO is central in helping to execute those responsibilities.
  - 1. The CTO generates a Trip Record. On it, the CTO prepares a should-cost estimate that reflects standard arrangements made in compliance with travel policies using Government negotiated airline, lodging, and rental car rates. If the standard arrangements do not meet the needs of the mission, the CTO provides other travel options to satisfy mission requirements, and conform to law, regulation, policy, and contractual obligations. Use the should-cost estimate to determine if the travel budget can support the travel. Authorize CTO identified should-cost standard arrangements, unless additional or unusual cost options are required to complete the mission and they make good overall business sense.

2. The CTO and TO must have available information on policies relating to transportation and travel arrangements. Get other needed travel-related information from command channels or Service headquarters. Use management information from the CTO and the travel card company to assist in future travel decisions.

- 3. Make sure travelers have access to the unit's travel card if they do not have individually issued cards. Refer inquiries about card usage to the local card program coordinator.
- 4. Adhere to policies and procedures discussed in this regulation, use good judgment in obligating unit funds, and ensure travelers receive adequate reimbursement under policies established in this regulation.

#### B. What's Allowable and Not Allowable

#### 1. Transportation

- a. What AOs may direct. AOs may direct the traveler to use a particular mode of travel, except for private or rental vehicle. Only direct a specific mode when it is essential to mission success.
- b. Options on contract flights use. NOTE: Contract-city airfares must not be used for personal travel. (See JFTR, par. U3145-C, item 12, and JTR, par. C2002-C, item 12.) The CTO must use contract flights and fares in scheduling travel. In unusual circumstances, AOs may authorize the CTO to make other arrangements if:
  - (1) Seating space on the scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the mission, or use of the contract flight would increase the overall cost of the trip;
  - (2) The contract carrier's flight schedule does not operate during normal working hours;
  - (3) A fare, that is available to the general public, is less than the contract fare and would result in lower total cost to the Government;
  - (4) Rail service is available, cost effective, and consistent with mission requirements;
  - (5) Smoking is permitted on the contract carrier flight and the nonsmoking section of the aircraft for the contract flight is not acceptable to the traveler; or
  - (6) The AO determines that a restricted fare (e.g., excursion fare, special fare) is cheaper and is worth the restriction/eligibility risks if travel plans change.

The AO ensures that the rationale for not using contract flights is recorded on the Trip Record.

<u>NOTE</u>: See JTR, par. C2002 or JFTR, par. U3145 for policy and FAQs regarding use of the Contract Citypair Program.

2. <u>Authorizing Business-class Transportation Accommodations</u>. Only the officials listed in JTR, par. C2204-B2b, and JFTR, par. U3125-B2b may authorize/approve business-class accommodations use (two-star level or civilian equivalent). Examples of reasons for use of business-class accommodations are found in JTR, par. C2004-B4 and JFTR, par. U3125-B4 (the reason must be recorded on the Trip Record).

#### NOTES:

1. If business-class seating is provided at Government expense, the traveler is not eligible for a rest period upon arrival at the duty site or a rest stop en route – at Government expense.

- 2. Scheduled flight time is the time between the scheduled aircraft departure from the airport serving the PDS/TDY point and the scheduled aircraft arrival at the airport serving the TDY point/PDS.
- 3. The 14-hour rule only (in par. T4060-B1c(6) above) applies en route to the TDY site. On a return flight to the PDS, a business-class transportation authorization should not be provided.
- 4. When use of business-class accommodations is authorized/approved, use of business-class fares provided under the Contract City-Pair Program is mandatory.
- 5. When scheduling flights of 14 or more hours, the first choice is always to fly the member in economy class and have the member arrive the day before the TDY is to begin to allow for appropriate rest. Second choice always is to fly the member in economy class and arrange an en route rest stop (preferably at a nocost point allowed by the airline) with arrival on the day TDY starts. The last option, and clearly the most expensive option which should be avoided whenever possible, is to permit the member to travel in Government-funded business accommodations with arrival on the day the TDY starts.
- 3. <u>Using American Flag Carriers</u>. Available U.S. flag air carriers must be used for all commercial foreign air transportation of persons/property when the U.S. Government funds the air travel (49 USC §40118 and B-138942, 31 March 1981). See JFTR, par. U3125-C and JTR, par. C2204-B. *U.S. flag carriers are not considered "available" if:* 
  - a. Use of a U.S. carrier would extend the travel by at least 24 hours when traveling between a U.S. gateway airport and a foreign gateway airport that is the origin or destination;
  - b. Use of a U.S. flag carrier would require the traveler to wait four hours or more at a foreign gateway interchange point or extend the travel time by at least six hours more when traveling between two points outside the U.S.;
  - c. Use of a foreign flag carrier would eliminate two or more aircraft changes en route on a trip between points outside the U.S.;
  - d. The elapsed travel time by a foreign carrier is three hours or less and travel by a U.S. carrier would be at least twice the time;
  - e. The travel can only be financed with excess foreign currency and available U.S. flag carriers do not accept the currency;
  - f. Only first class accommodations are available on a U.S. flag carrier where less than first class accommodations are available on a foreign flag carrier; or

g. Transportation on a foreign carrier ultimately is paid fully by a foreign government (including under Foreign Military Sales (FMS) case funded with foreign customer cash or repayable foreign military financing credits), international agency or other organization; see DoD 5105.38-M, par. 20202-C3e when travel is on Security Assistance Business.

4. <u>Travel Involving Leave or Personal Convenience Travel</u>. The AO may permit a traveler to combine official travel with leave or personal travel. *However, contract fare travel must not be used for personal travel. (See JFTR, par. U3145-C, item 12, and JTR, par. C2002-C, item 12.)* The official portion is to be arranged through the CTO. Transportation reimbursement is authorized for the cost of official round trip travel between duty stations only. The traveler may make other travel plans and pay the excess above the official cost; no excess costs for travel or M&IE are borne by the Government. For civilian travelers, JTR, par. C4563-C applies. A member is not authorized per diem on any day leave is charged. Do not permit a TDY trip that is an excuse for personal travel.

#### 5. Lodging Selection

- a. <u>CTO Lodging Arrangements</u>. The AO should approve lodging arrangements made by the CTO to minimize the use of rental cars and maximize the use of mass transportation when it is consistent with mission requirements and cost effectiveness.
- b. <u>Lodging Required on the Day Travel Ends</u>. When lodging is required on the day travel ends and the AO authorizes/approves the traveler to obtain lodging, the lodging reimbursement must be based on the locality rate, or AEA if appropriate, for the en route TDY site.
- 6. <u>Rental Cars</u>. The AO may authorize the CTO to arrange rental cars when their use is the most cost-effective or efficient way to complete the overall mission. The compact car size should be authorized unless the number of passengers or the mission requires a larger vehicle.
- 7. Authorized Trips Home during Extended Business TDY. The AO may authorize return trips to the PDS or home only when travel funds are available to support the travel expenses. The AO must determine that savings outweigh the periodic return travel costs. The TDY assignment length and purpose, return travel distance, increased member or employee efficiency and productivity, and reduced recruitment and retention costs are to be considered. An analysis must be conducted at least every other year. The travel should be performed outside the traveler's regularly scheduled duty hours or during leave. For civilian employees, scheduling the authorized travel to minimize payment of overtime should be considered. This authority applies only to business or training TDY.
- 8. Phone Calls to Home or Family During TDY. The AO may determine certain communications to a traveler's home/family are official. These communications must be only to advise of the traveler's safe arrival, to inform or inquire about medical conditions, and to advise regarding changes in itinerary. The OA should limit these communications to a dollar amount in advance of the TDY so the traveler is aware of the limit. The AO may approve charges after the TDY when appropriate (GSBCA 1455-TRAV, 18 August 1998).
- 9. <u>Travel Expense Report</u>. The Trip Record contains the expense report. AOs must review the amounts claimed on their traveler's expense report as soon after receiving it as possible. The AO's signature on the expense report certifies that the travel was taken, that the charges are reasonable, that the phone calls authorized for reimbursement are in the Government's best interest, and that the payment of the authorized expenses is approved. Expense reports are subject to random selection for examination based on financial management directives.

10. TDY from Leave. AOs may direct someone on leave to perform TDY if the need for the TDY is unknown prior to the leave. If they do, the traveler must be authorized payment of normal TDY costs from the leave location to the TDY location and back to the leave location, or back to the PDS.

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- 11. Shipment or Storage of HHG. AOs may authorize shipment of unaccompanied baggage for employees (JTR, par. C2309), or a small amount of HHG for members (JFTR, par. U4705) to the TDY point. Also, they may authorize storage of HHG for members when appropriate. For example, storage may be authorized during deployments. See the rules for shipping and storage HHG while on TDY in JFTR, Chapter 4, Part H.
- 12. Lower or No Per Diem Rates. There may be situations in which the combination of published per diem rates with lodging and mess availability may result in illogical payments. For example, a remote TDY location with no Government mess may have a club at which the cost of meals is only a fraction of the full M&IE. In these cases. AOs may recommend payment of lower or no per diem to their Service point of contact listed in the Introduction of the JFTR and JTR under the heading Feedback Reporting. Lower per diem rates can only be established before travel begins. See par. T4040-A1c(2) for more on reduced per diem for civilian employees.
- 13. Allowable Travel Days. The CTO computes the number of days allowed for travel based on the transportation modes the AO specifies (see par. T4030-H). However, when the traveler uses more than the allowed days, the AO may approve the extra time as official. Generally, AOs should only approve extra time when the reasons for the additional time were beyond the traveler's control (for example, strikes, weather).
- 14. TDY within the PDS Limits. Per diem may not be paid for expenses within the PDS limits, except:
  - a. Under emergency circumstances that threaten injury to human life or damage to Government property when authorizing per diem is the only method to handle the situation; and,
  - b. To uniformed members escorting arms control inspection team members engaged in activities related to implementing an arms control treaty or agreement.

Reimbursement is for actual meal costs up to the PMR (not including incidental expense) and/or the actual lodging cost up to the maximum rate for the PDS. Justifying reasons must be noted on the Trip Record.

- 15. TDY aboard Ships. Normally, people TDY aboard ships are fed without charge making them ineligible for per diem. However, people TDY aboard non-U.S. government ships may be charged for meals. In this situation. AOs can determine a per diem rate to cover the food cost. This should not be confused with officers paying for meals the same as ship's company officers.
- 16. Additional Allowable Travel Expenses for an Employee with a Disability. AOs may authorize certain additional travel expenses for an employee with a disability, such as the transportation and subsistence expenses of an attendant accompanying the employee, and the cost of renting and/or transporting a wheelchair. See JTR, Chapter 6, Part L, for specifics.
- 17. TDY Canceled or Modified. When it is necessary to cancel or modify a TDY trip after the traveler has incurred nonrefundable expenses in preparation for the trip, such as nonrefundable advance room deposits, AOs may authorize reimbursement of those expenses.

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#### 18. TDY and Reserve Active Duty Time Limits for Per Diem Purposes

- a. Except for TDY with units deployed afloat, TDY is limited to 180 consecutive days at any one location, unless a Service or Agency Headquarters, or the Commander/Deputy Commander of a Combatant Command, approves an extension. See JFTR/JTR, Introductions for the Service points of contact. *Civilian employees, see Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rules for income tax implications for TDY beyond one year.* A school of at least 140 days (20 weeks) duration is a PCS for uniformed members (except as noted in JFTR, pars. U1036 or U2146).
- b. For Reserve Component personnel, per diem is payable only if active duty is less than 20 weeks at any one location, unless the call to active duty (for other than training) is because of unusual or emergency circumstances or exigencies of the Service concerned. All other duty of at least 20 weeks duration at one location is a PCS for Reserve members.
- 19. <u>Movement of Employees' Dependents and HHG to Training Location</u>. If the estimated per diem the employee would receive at the training location, based on AO approved arrangements, is more than the estimated cost of transporting the dependents and HHG to and from the training location, the AO may authorize round trip transportation of the dependents and HHG between the PDS and the training location in lieu of the estimated per diem payment. Transportation of dependents and HHG are in accordance with JTR, Chapters 7 and 8. Private vehicle mileage is reimbursed under JTR, par. C5050.

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- \*20. <u>Temporary Change of Station (TCS)</u>. Instead of authorizing extended TDY (between 6 and 30 months) for an employee, an AO may authorize a TCS. The employee (but not a member) is authorized limited PCS allowances rather than TDY allowances (see JTR, Chapter 5, Part O).
- 21. <u>Termination of Per Diem when Traveler Dies while on TDY</u>. When a traveler dies while on TDY, per diem continues through the actual (or determined) date the traveler died.
- 22. Per Diem when TDY or PDS Location Is a Reservation, Station, Other Established Area or Established Large Reservation Subdivision. When the TDY point or new PDS is a reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) that falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, Hawai'i) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky), the per diem rate is the locality rate specifically listed for the reservation, station or other established area. When the location (reservation, station or other established area) is not specifically listed in the per diem tables (http://www.perdiem.osd.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html), the per diem rate is the rate applicable to the location of the front gate for the reservation, station or other established area.

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**Authorize**. The giving of permission before an act or the ratification or confirmation of an act already done. Used interchangeably in this Appendix with "approve."

Government travel card. This is the Government-sponsored, contractor issued travel charge card.

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\*Group movement. A movement of 2 or more official travelers traveling as a group, under the same order (either PCS or TDY/TAD), for which Government-owned/procured transportation will be furnished from the same origin to the same destination. Movement could include locations en route as specified on the order. NOTE: Personnel traveling together under an order may have no/limited reimbursement directed between any points en route, provided that the order specifically indicates the points between which the status applies.

Must, Shall, Should, May, Can, Will. The following definitions from DoD 5025.1-M apply:

Helping Verb	Degree of Restriction		
Must, shall	Action is mandatory		
Should	Action is required, unless justifiable reason exists for not taking action.		
May, can	Action is optional		
Will	Is not restrictive; applies only to a statement of future condition or an expression of time		

<sup>\*</sup>Temporary Duty (TDY) Travel. Official travel of a temporary duration away from the traveler's PDS. It includes duty traditionally called "temporary additional duty" (TAD). There are three types of TDY travel with different allowances:

Business Travel. Conducting business at a location other than the PDS. It incorporates any type of travel not included in schoolhouse training or deployment or unit travel. It also includes certain local travel, but not leave or evacuation.

Schoolhouse Training Travel. Travel in connection with TDY attendance at formal course(s) of instruction by civilian employees or uniformed members (other than uniformed members who have not yet reached their first PDS).

\*Deployment, Personnel Traveling Together Under An Order Directing No/Limited Reimbursement, and Unit Travel. Includes units traveling in support of combat missions, peacekeeping, and disaster relief. It also includes field or maneuver training and sea duty when troops involved are not permanently assigned to a ship. The Government provides all transportation, lodging, and eating facilities when personnel traveling together are under an order directing no/limited reimbursement.

**Trip Record.** This document, in either electronic or paper form, provides the vehicle on which are recorded all official travel authorizations, initial options, modifications, and payment decisions. Prepared by the CTO, it is the single trip document that includes the travel authorization and fund cite, the should-cost estimate, the itinerary, updates to the itinerary made during the trip, and serves as the expense report when the traveler returns.

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# \*Activities Authorized To Use Appendix O

DoD Component	Organization/Location	<b>Effective Date</b>
U.S. Army	Training & Doctrine Command, Ft. Leavenworth, KS	May 13, 1996
	U.S. Army Forces Command, Ft. McPherson, GA	August 13, 1996
	U.S. Army Europe, U.S. Army Military Community, Stuttgart, GE	June 25, 1996
	U.S. Army Missile Command, Huntsville, AL (also includes Corps of Engineers Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg, MS  Selected other tenants of Redstone Arsenal, AL, and	May 1, 1996
	selected other tenants of Redstone Arsenar, AL, and selected personnel of the Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command (STRICOM) Huntsville, AL, and Orlando, FL, and the Space and Strategic Defense Command (SSDC), Huntsville, AL)	June 17, 1996
	Corps of Engineers, Ohio River Div., Cincinnati, OH	Never Initiated [1]
	HQ Army Audit Agency, Alexandria, VA	October 1, 1996
U.S. Navy	USS Eisenhower  Discontinued	June 20, 1996 March 31, 1997
	PSA, Norfolk, VA	June 20, 1996
	HQ, CINCLANTFLT (N00IG; N02; N6 and N1) Norfolk, VA	June 20, 1996
	Naval Command, Control & Ocean Surveillance System Center, (RDT&E), San Diego, CA	June 20, 1996
	NPGS, Monterey, CA	June 20, 1996
	Naval Undersea Warfare Center Div, Newport, RI	June 20, 1996
	HQ, CINCPACFLT, Pearl Harbor, HI <i>Discontinued</i>	June 20, 1996 March 31, 1997
U.S. Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station, Beaufort, SC	Never Initiated [1]
	Marine Corps Air Station, New River, NC	Never Initiated [1]
	Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, NC	Never Initiated [1]
	Marine Forces Reserve, New Orleans, LA	Never Initiated [1]
	Second Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, NC	Never Initiated [1]
	Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC	Never Initiated [1]
	Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, Washington, DC	Never Initiated [1]
	Sixth Marine Corps District, Atlanta, GA	Never Initiated [1]
U.S. Air Force	11th Wing, Bolling AFB, Washington, DC	May 2, 1996
	Dover AFB, DE	April 23, 1996
	Peterson AFB, CO	March 1, 1997
	Randolph AFB, TX	April 15, 1997
	Air Combat Command HQ and 1st Wing, Langley AFB, VA	June 5, 1996

DoD Component	Organization/Location	Effective Date
	Hill AFB, UT	March 24, 1997
	Mountain Home AFB, UT	March 24, 1997
	Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station, NY	March 24, 1997
Washington Headquarters		
Services	Designated organizations	April 1, 1997
<b>Defense Commissary Agency</b>		
(DeCa)	HQ and Operations Center, Provisional, Ft. Lee, VA	June 5, 1996
Defense Finance and	Kansas City Center, Kansas City, MO	May 1, 1996
Accounting Service (DFAS)	Discontinued	March 31, 1997
<b>Defense Logistics Agency</b>		
(DLA)	Administrative Support Center, Ft. Belvoir, VA	June 5, 1996
*National Geospatial-		
Intelligence Agency (NGA)	Multiple locations - all NGA components	May 1, 1996
(formerly NIMA)	Wuitiple locations - all NOA components	May 1, 1990
National Security Agency		
(NSA) [2]	Fort Meade, Maryland	March 1 1996
Defense Threat Reduction		
Agency (formerly Defense		
Special Weapons Agency)	Dulles, VA	June 1, 1996
Organization of the Joint		
Chiefs of Staff	Washington, DC	May 1, 1996
<b>Defense Information Systems</b>		
Agency	Washington, DC	June 16, 1997
<b>Ballistic Missile Defense</b>		
Organization	Washington, DC	July 15, 1997

- [1] Authorization to begin testing using simplified allowances was pending but never issued.
- [2] This includes TDY travel by, on behalf of, and/or processed by the NSA.

<u>NOTE</u>: Use of Appendix O is authorized for those locations where DTS has been fielded, or DTS-Limited software with computation module is used, and at USAFE locations where the Federal Automated System for Travel (FAST) software is used to transition to DTS-Limited.

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# **APPENDIX P**

# **CITY-PAIR PROGRAM**

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#### PART I: CITY-PAIR PROGRAM

Regulations applicable to the Contract City-Pair Program are found in DoD 4500.9-R, Part I, Chapter 103, pars. A2 and B2 available at <a href="http://www.transcom.mil/j5/pt/dtr.html">http://www.transcom.mil/j5/pt/dtr.html</a>. Following is an edited extract from that regulation.

- A. Policy (DoD 4500.9-R, Part L. Chap. 103, par. B2)
  - 1. <u>GSA Airline City-Pairs Program</u>. Each year, under the Airline City-Pairs program, the GSA Federal Supply Service awards contracts for air transportation for travelers on official government travel. The contracts are awarded competitively based on the best overall value to the Government. The best value decision is based on considerations of the type, distribution and number of flights, the average flight time, and the offered price. For more information, access "Travel on Government Business and Air Travel/City-Pairs" on the GSA website: <a href="http://www.gsa.gov.">http://www.gsa.gov.</a>

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- \*2. Some GSA routes may offer "dual airfares"; one airfare is an unrestricted airfare (fare basis code "YCA") and the other an unrestricted capacity-controlled airfare (fare basis code "\_CA"). The unrestricted capacity-controlled airfare differs from the unrestricted airfare only in that the airline can limit the number of seats offered under the unrestricted capacity-controlled, or "\_CA" fare basis (referred to as "capacity controlled"). The unrestricted airfare, or "YCA", has a last seat on the aircraft availability to the traveler. Neither airfare basis requires advance purchase and has no minimum nor maximum stay requirements, travel time limits, or blackout periods. The unrestricted capacity-controlled airfare is, in many cases, significantly less expensive than the unrestricted airfare. DoD travelers are encouraged to make reservations as far in advance as possible to increase the chance of obtaining an unrestricted capacity-controlled GSA Airline City-Pairs airfare on the routes offering the dual airfare structure. Local CTOs can provide information on what routes offer dual airfares.
- 3. Government contractors are not authorized to use GSA city-pairs airfares.

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- \*4. Grantees (whether civilian or foreign military personnel) cannot use GSA city-pair airfares. Use the chain of command for "grantee" status determinations.
- 5. <u>Non-mandatory Users</u>. A non-mandatory user may request contract service, or have contract service requested, on an optional basis. Contract carriers may, but are not required to, furnish any requested service to non-mandatory users. Non-mandatory users are:
  - a. All members and employees of the U.S. Congress; employees of the Judicial Branch of the Government; employees of the U.S. Postal Service; U.S. Foreign Service Officers; and employees of any agencies who are not subject to the provisions of 5 USC §5701-5709.
  - b. DOD recruits traveling from Military Entrance Processing Stations (MEPS).
  - c. Groups of 21 or more passengers.

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\*6. Exception to the Use of Contract Carriers: One or more of the following travel conditions, which must be certified on the travel order/authorization, travel voucher, or other document provided by the traveler or AO, must apply if a non-contract carrier or a contract carrier other than the primary contractor is used for travel within a contract route.

- a. Space on a scheduled contract flight (including a confirmed pet space (see <u>NOTE</u>)) is not available in time to accomplish the travel purpose, or contract service use would require the traveler to incur unnecessary overnight lodging costs that would increase the total cost of the trip.
- \*NOTE: when pet shipment is the determining factor for non-use of the lower cost GSA Airline City-Pairs airfares, the traveler and not the Government is responsible for costs exceeding the most economical travel routing. See DTR, Part I, Chapter 103, par. B.2.c (note) for the source of this NOTE.
- b. The contract carrier's flight schedule is inconsistent with explicit policies of individual federal departments and agencies to schedule travel during normal working hours (see JFTR, par. U3006/JTR, par. C1059);
- c. A non-contract (DoD-approved) carrier offers a lower airfare available to the general public, the use of which results in a lower total trip cost to the Government, to include the combined costs of transportation, lodging, meals, and related expenses. <u>NOTE</u>: This exception does not apply if the contract carrier offers a comparable airfare and has seats available at that airfare, or if the lower airfare offered by a noncontract carrier is limited to Government and military travelers on official business and only may be purchased with a Government procurement document (e.g., a GTR), Government-sponsored Contractorissued travel charge card, or through a centrally billed account (e.g., YDG, MDG, QDG, VDG, and similar airfares).
- d. Rail service is available and that service is cost effective and consistent with mission requirements.
- e. Smoking is permitted on the contract flight and the nonsmoking section of the aircraft is not acceptable to the traveler.
- B. Scheduled Air Carriers (DoD 4500.9-R, Part L. Chap. 103, par. A2)

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- \*1. Contract air service between city-pairs should be used for all domestic travel, and for international travel when AMC Category B/Patriot Express is not available or does not meet the mission requirement. *If a contract city-pair airfare is not available*, the least expensive unrestricted economy airfare (including a lower airfare offered by a non-contract carrier limited to Government and military travelers on official business, e.g., YDG, MDG, ODG, VDG, and similar airfares) should be used. However, the AO retains the authority to authorize a lesser airfare and the traveler retains the ability to seek a lesser airfare. *NOTE: foreign military personnel are not authorized to use GSA city-pair airfares.*
- 2. Government contractor personnel must never be in possession of ITAs while in the performance of their contracts and are prohibited from using Government discount airfares provided in the Contract City-Pair Program when purchasing commercial airline tickets.

NOTE: See JTR, par. C2001-A2c for policy regarding Rail or Bus service use.

# PART II: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CONTRACT CITY-PAIR PROGRAM

#### 1. How does the program work?

<u>First</u>, GSA concentrates the Government's market share to make the most of the competition available. The Government traveler's responsibility is to use the contract carrier. The Government's delivery of market share drives the program. So, to ensure the fares stay favorable, we encourage Federal travelers to stick to the contract carrier.

**Second**, GSA works with other Government agencies to make sure that the Federal traveler's needs and concerns are fully met. This ensures that you have a good choice of convenient and timely flights.

<u>Third</u>, GSA works in partnership with the airline industry and respects their concerns. For example, because the fares are so attractive, the airlines insist that only Federal employees traveling on official business be allowed to use them. With a few limited exceptions, no one else can use the Government rates. GSA understands and accepts this in order to bring you, the Federal Traveler, the Best Value in the Sky.

#### 2. What are the advantages of the program?

- No advance purchases required,
- No minimum or maximum length of stay required,
- Fully refundable tickets and no charge for cancellations or changes,
- YCA seating not capacity controlled, (As long as there is a coach class seat on the plane, the traveler may purchase it),
- No blackout dates.
- Locked-in fares facilitate travel budgeting,
- 70% average savings over regular walk-up fares, and
- Fares are priced on one-way routes permitting agencies to plan multiple destinations.

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#### \*3. Who can use it?

The City-Pair Program is so attractive that usage is strictly limited. There are a few exceptions, but in general, only Federal employees or uniformed service members and their respective dependents on official travel, may use the program with an appropriate form of payment (Government-sponsored contractor-issued travel charge card, centrally-billed account, or GTR). *Grantees (whether civilian or foreign military personnel) cannot use GSA city-pair airfares. Use the chain of command for "grantee" status determinations.* 

#### 4. Why can't contractors use it? It would save the government a lot of money!

GSA recognizes that contractors often sit next to Federal employees, work on the same projects as Federal employees, and travel with Federal employees. However, contractors are not Federal employees. All of the major airlines have made it clear to GSA that because the contract rates are so low and the terms so favorable, the airlines would drop out of the city-pair program rather than extend the contract rates to contractors. GSA has made the business decision to neither jeopardize the program nor the \$2 billion savings it generates for taxpayers. GSA agencies that the purchase of contract fare tickets on behalf of Government contractors is a misuse of the city-pair program and could jeopardize its future success.

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#### 5. Do I have to use the contract carrier? Won't any airline do?

Federal and military travelers on official business are required to use the contract carrier unless a specific exception applies. This required use is the incentive necessary to obtain airline participation in the city-pair program and allows the airlines the business volume necessary to offer discounted rates. Choosing not to use the contract carrier because of personal preference, frequent flyer clubs, etc., is a violation of the contract.

Commercial airfares can be highly volatile, so an exception to the mandatory use requirement allows government travelers to take advantage of any low commercial fares offered by non-contract carriers, if the fares are also offered to the general public. Non-contract fares that are offered only to government travelers (sometimes called "DG" fares) are not included in this exception. Also, if the contract carrier for the particular market offers the lower fare, you still must use them, but at the lower fare. Travelers that use this exception would have to abide by the many restrictions that typically go along with lower commercial fares. Restrictions on discounted commercial fares usually include; non-refundability, change or cancellation fees, minimum or maximum stay requirements or extended calendar blackout periods. Additional exceptions to the use of the contract carrier are:

- a. Space or a scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the purpose of your travel, or use of contract service would require you to incur unnecessary overnight lodging costs which would increase the total cost of the trip; or
- b. The contractor's flight schedule is inconsistent with explicit policies of your Federal department or agency with regard to scheduling travel during normal working hours; or
- c. Rail service is available, and such service is cost effective and is consistent with mission requirements; or
- d. Smoking is permitted on the contract flight and the nonsmoking section of the aircraft for the contract flight is not acceptable to the traveler.

#### 6. If I have been authorized to use a business class fare, do I have to use the contract carrier?

Yes, the City Pair Program contracts are mandatory for both coach and business-class service. If business-class service has been authorized in accordance with the JFTR/JTR, then use of contract business-class fares is mandatory.

#### 7. What makes it the best value? Isn't it just low bid?

Absolutely not. Awards are made after measuring both quality of service and price. This allows an award to be made to a higher priced carrier if that carrier has superior service.

#### 8. How is Quality of Service Evaluated?

A minimum service standard is set for each city-pair. This minimum applies to the number of flights per day in each direction (the range is between 2 and 8), a maximum of one connection, a maximum ground time (90 minutes domestic, 180 minutes international) and limits on circuity (how far out of the way the carrier can take you.)

To determine best value, a technical evaluation is conducted to evaluate the quality of each offeror's service based on the following considerations:

a. <u>Time and Type of Service</u>: This factor looks for flights offered throughout the day. Nonstop service, at convenient times, scores best under this factor.

b. <u>Flight Time</u>: This factor looks for the shortest total flight times, based on each carrier's routing. Nonstop service scores best under this factor.

- c. <u>Number and Type of Flights</u>: This factor considers the number of flights offered throughout the day, in order to provide the traveler with several choices. Carriers with lots of nonstop flights score best under this factor.
- d. <u>Jet Service</u>: This factor gives preference to jets over propeller aircraft. All these factors are weighed against price and a best value decision is made.

#### 9. Why isn't every award for nonstop service?

Even though nonstop service is heavily favored, it is not always available or the best value. Some of the reasons that connect service is awarded are as follows

- There is no nonstop carrier for a specific route.
- The nonstop carrier did not offer on the city-pair. Some carriers have so much traffic on certain routes that they do not want the Government business for the route.
- The nonstop carrier did not meet the minimum requirements as outlined in the RFP. For example, the nonstop flights might be too late at night to be beneficial for our Federal traveler.
- The non-stop carrier has offered an unreasonably high price.
- The connect service carrier has offered a fare so low that it was the best overall value, even considering all the advantages of nonstop service.

#### 10. Can't GSA make a carrier add nonstop service?

No. Even though the City-Pair Program is huge, with sales well over \$1 billion per year, it still represents only about 2% of the airlines business. Unless the commercial traffic warrants it, a carrier will not add a new route or improved service levels for the Government.

#### 11. Can you require the airlines to offer smoke free international flights?

GSA is buying a commercial service under the same terms and conditions as other buyers. Thus, GSA does not have the authority to require the airlines to offer smoke free flights. However, the Department of Transportation is working closely with the airline industry to encourage them to offer smoke free flights. There is an exception in the contract to the use of the contract carrier when smoking is permitted on the contract flight (see paragraph 5, above, last exception listed).

# 12. Can I use a contract fare for personal travel? What if the personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel?

No. Use of contract fares is limited to official travel only. If personal travel is being taken in conjunction with official government travel, the contract fares cannot be used for that portion of the trip that is personal. <u>NOTE</u>: Gov't funded travel to and from RAT leave locations and when ordered TDY while on leave is official travel and therefore contract fares may be used to and from this leave location (see JTR, pars. C4162 and C4440 for RAT).

	Example			
	Travel authorization states the official travel itinerary as:			
From:	Atlanta, GA			
To:	San Francisco, CA and return to Atlanta, GA			
City-pair o	one-way contract fare from Atlanta, GA, to San Francisco, CA, is \$251 with United Airlines. Round trip			
totals \$502	2.			
For persor	nal reasons, employee wants to go to Chicago for several days resulting in the following:			
From:	Atlanta, GA			
To:	Chicago, IL			
From:	Chicago, IL			
To:	San Francisco, CA and return to Atlanta, GA			

Since the itinerary portion from Atlanta to Chicago and Chicago to San Francisco is for personal reasons, the traveler is not authorized to use the city-pair contract fares for these trip portions. Commercial fares are applicable to this trip portion with the maximum cost to the Government of \$251. The city-pair contract fare is applicable only to the trip portion from San Francisco, CA, to Atlanta, GA, with United Airlines at \$251.

<u>NOTE</u>: The traveler is responsible for any additional costs when, for personal convenience, a circuitous route is used or the traveler interrupts a direct travel route (e.g., by taking an unauthorized overnight en route). Reimbursement in this case is limited to the transportation cost by a usually traveled direct route on an uninterrupted basis (e.g., \$502).

#### 13. Can I combine two contract fares to save money?

If there is a contract fare for the route, the answer is no. If there is no contract fare for the route, the answer is ves.

#### 14. How do I know whether or not there is a contract fare?

Contract fares are identifiable because they normally carry the fare designator YCA. You can ask your Travel Management Center (TMC) or (Contracted) Commercial Travel Office (CTO) or check on the following city-pair website: <a href="http://pub.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/">http://pub.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs/</a>.

#### 15. Why does the Government have to pay the Airline Passenger Excise tax? Isn't it exempt from taxes?

The Federal Government is often exempted from state and local taxes. However, the airline passenger excise tax is a federal tax and the Federal Government is subject to it.

# 16. I live in an area/location with multiple airports. What is the rule regarding what airport I must use when traveling on official Government business?

Travelers can use the airport that best suits their needs in areas/locations with multiple airports, except when the AO determines that a specific airport should be used after considering the most cost-effective routing and transportation means (to include not only air fares, but also transportation to and from airports). Areas/locations with multiple airports include, but are not limited to, are: Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, DC.

# 17. What if one of the multiple airports within a city does not offer a city-pair fare? May I still use the airport with no city-pair fare if I choose?

In areas/locations serviced by multiple airports, there is no "requirement" that a traveler use an airport based on a city-pair fare being offered at one airport, and the other airport does not have a city-pair fare except as noted in the last sentence. The traveler should use the "usual travel route" (the airport location from which the traveler would ordinarily travel). The traveler's command has the authority to authorize/approve use of any airport for the traveler but must consider best value, mission requirements, travel, and the most cost-effective routing and transportation means. Sometimes this results in a determination that the traveler must use a specific airport. In a multiple airport area, a city-pair fare must be used, if available, for international travel.

# 18. If airfares are booked "early" the Gov't receives a discount to the normal city-pairs' fare. How early is early?

Travelers should book their reservations with the CTO as early as possible once it is determined that a trip is necessary. The earlier the reservation the better the chances are that a capacity controlled city-fare is available.

For more information on GSA's Airline City Pairs Program, see the GSA website at <a href="http://www.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs">http://www.fss.gsa.gov/citypairs</a>, or contact one of the following PoCs below. Only those without Internet access should call.

Ms. Linda L. Smith	Ms. Andrea Dingle	Mr. Gene Lee
*Contracting Officer	Contracting Officer	*Contracting Officer
(703) 305-7640	(703) 305-6190	(703) 308-1618

#### **APPENDIX Q**

#### TOURS OF DUTY FOR DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

(See Chapter 5, Part A For Applicable Regulations)

<u>NOTE 1</u>: The 24-, 18- and 12-month tours prescribed in pars. A, B and C apply to the entire listed country or state for employees accompanied or not accompanied by dependents unless a statement appears beside the country or state name limiting applicability to (a) specific area(s) within that country or state, (b) employees authorized and accompanied by dependents, or employees not authorized dependent(s), and/or (c) employees serving on a renewal agreement tour.

<u>NOTE 2</u>: For a location at which one tour length is prescribed for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents and a shorter tour is prescribed for employees not authorized dependents, the shorter tour length applies if the employee is authorized but is not accompanied by dependents.

\*NOTE 3: The tour lengths listed below are for both the initial tour and the renewal tour.

A. 24-Month Tour of Duty Areas. 24-month tour of duty areas are:

Afghanistan

Australia (Northwest Cape)

Azores

Bahamas: Andros Island

Bahrain Island, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Bosnia-Herzegovina

Burma

Canada: Newfoundland (Argentia) only, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Croatia

Cuba (Guantanamo Bay), for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Dominican Republic

Egypt, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Finland (all locations outside Helsinki)

Greece

Guam

Haiti, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Hong Kong

Iceland, for all employees on initial agreements authorized and accompanied by dependents

Iran (Tehran and Isfahan only)

Israel, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Italy: La Maddalena and Sicily (Sigonella, Comiso, and Ragusa), for employees on initial tour authorized and accompanied by dependents

Japan (Kure and Wakkanai and Ryukyu Islands), for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents Johnston Island, for all employees on initial agreements authorized and accompanied by dependents Jordan

Korea, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Kuwait for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents (Eff: September 3, 1996)

Kwajalein Atoll

Laos

Liberia

Mexico: Coatzacoalcos, Vera Cruz, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Morocco

Nigeria, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Northern Mariana Islands: Saipan, only

Oman, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

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**Philippines** 

Puerto Rico

Qatar, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Russia, Moscow

Saudi Arabia, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Serbia-Montenegro

Taiwan

Thailand, for employees authorized and accompanied by dependents

Turkey, except as indicated in par. C

Venezuela

Yemen Arab Republic: Sanaa only, for employees on initial agreements authorized and accompanied by dependents Zaire

# B. 18-Month Tour of Duty Areas. 18-month tour of duty areas are:

Bahrain, for employees not authorized dependents

Canada: Newfoundland (Argentia) only, for employees not authorized dependents

El Salvador, for employees not authorized dependents

Greenland

Honduras, for employees not authorized dependents

Israel, for employees not authorized dependents

Italy: La Maddalena and Sicily (Sigonella, Comiso, and Ragusa) for employees on initial tour not authorized dependents; and for all employees serving a renewal agreement tour

Libya

Mexico: Coatzacoalcos, Vera Cruz, for employees not authorized dependents and for all employees serving a renewal tour

Pakistan (Except as indicated in par. C)

Somali Republic

#### C. 12-Month Tour of Duty Areas. 12-month tours of duty areas are:

Alaska: Adak; Aleutian Islands, isolated mainland bases, Kodiak Island

Ascension Island

Canada: Newfoundland: Gander, Labrador, St. Anthony, only, and Northwest Territories

Christmas Island

Cuba (Guantanamo Bay), for employees not authorized dependents

Diego Garcia Island, Chago Archipelago, Indian Ocean

Egypt, for employees not authorized dependents

Eniwetok Atoll

Ethiopia

Haiti, for employees not authorized dependents

Iceland, for all employees not authorized dependents and all employees serving on a renewal agreement

Indonesia, for all employees not authorized dependents

Iran (all places except Tehran and Isfahan)

Iwo Jima

Japan (Kure and Wakkanai), for employees not authorized dependents

Johnston Island, for all employees not authorized dependents and all employees serving on a renewal agreement

Korea, for employees not authorized dependents

Kuwait, for employees not authorized dependents (Eff: September 3, 1996)

Mahe Island

Midway Islands

Nigeria, for employees not authorized dependents

Oman, for employees not authorized dependents

Pakistan: Unaccompanied tour of duty in Islamabad, Karachi, Lahore, and Peshawar effective 18 September 2002.

Qatar, for employees not authorized dependents

Saudi Arabia, for employees not authorized dependents

Thailand, for employees not authorized dependents

Turkey: Sinop (all employees), Cakmakli, Corlu, Diyabakir, Murs, and Ortakoy for employees not authorized dependents, Izmir (unaccompanied and dependent restricted (effective 3 April 2002))

West Indies: Eleuthera Island, Grand Bahama Island, Grand Turk Island, Mayaguana Island, San Salvador Island, St. Lucia Island only

Yemen Arab Republic: Sanaa for employees not authorized dependents, all other areas, and all employees on a renewal agreement

#### D. Special Circumstance Tour of Duty Areas

1. General. The tours of duty for the persons listed in subpars. D2 through D11 are exceptions to the tours of duty listed in pars. A, B, and C.

#### 2. DoD Education Activity Personnel

- a. Professional Personnel in 20 USC §901-907 Teaching Positions. The tour of duty for persons in teaching positions under the DoD Education Activity (see 20 USC §901-907 and DoD Directive 1400.13 ("Salaries and Personnel Practices Applicable to Teachers and other Employees of the DoD Overseas Dependents' School System" available at <a href="http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/dir1.html">http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/dir1.html</a>)) is 1 or 2 school years as required, plus the time required in the area because of arrival before the start of the school year and while awaiting transportation upon departure. The school year for persons in teaching positions consists of not more than 190 working days including not less than 175 days of classroom instruction.
- b. <u>Professional Personnel Not in 20 USC §901-907 Teaching Positions</u>. The tour of duty for professional personnel not in 20 USC §901-907 teaching positions is 12 months in those areas where the tour of duty for other DoD employees is less than 24 months. In all other areas, the tour of duty is 24 or 36 months, as appropriate. Professional personnel not in teaching positions include school principals, administrators, and other personnel whose services are required for a full calendar year.
- c. <u>Professional Personnel in 20 USC §901-907 Teaching Positions Reassigned without Returning to CONUS to Positions Not Subject to 20 USC §901-907 for which the Tour of Duty Is 36 Months.</u> The tour of duty for professional personnel in 20 USC §901-907 teaching positions reassigned without returning to CONUS to positions not subject to 20 USC§901-907 for which the tour of duty is 36 months is a period of service, in addition to immediate prior OCONUS service, to complete 36 months.
- d. <u>Professional Personnel in 20 USC §901-907 Principal and Assistant Principal Positions</u>. The tour of duty for persons in principal and assistant principal positions under the DoD Education Activity (see 20 USC §901-907 and DoDEA Regulation 5301.4-R ("Salaries and Personnel Practices Applicable to Principals and Assistant Principals" available at <a href="http://www.odedodea.edu/pers/emanual/">http://www.odedodea.edu/pers/emanual/</a>)) is the same as for other DoD civilian employees who are employed on a calendar-year basis. The tours are expressed in terms of school years rather than calendar years. Except as provided in the preceding pars. A through C, tours of duty are 3 school years under the initial period of service agreement and 2 school years under subsequent agreements.
- 3. <u>Employees of Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)</u>. Because of the nature of employment, the Director, DIA, administratively fixes the tours of duty for DIA employees.
- 4. Scientists on Sabbatical Leave. The tour of duty for scientists on sabbatical leave is 12 months.
- 5. <u>Civilian Marine Personnel of the Military Sealift Command (MSC)</u>. The tour of duty for MSC civilian marine personnel is 12 months.
- 6. <u>U.S. Naval Observatory Personnel, San Juan-El Leoncito Region of Argentina</u>. The tour of duty for U.S. Naval Observatory personnel assigned to the San Juan-El Leoncito region of Argentina is 24 months.

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- 7. <u>Resident Technical Assistance Team, Talcahuano, Chile</u>. The tour of duty for civilian employees of the Resident Technical Assistance Team assigned at Talcahuano, Chile, is 24 months.
- 8. <u>Employees of the National Security Agency (NSA)</u>. Because of the nature of employment, the Director, NSA, administratively fixes the tours of duty for NSA employees.
- 9. <u>U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia</u>. The tour of duty for civilian employees of the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 3, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia is 24 months.
- 10. <u>Department of the Air Force Management Interns</u>. The tour of duty for management interns assigned to the Department of the Air Force Management Intern Program in the area under the jurisdiction of Headquarters, Pacific Air Forces is 24 months. During the 24-month tour, the employee may be transferred to various posts throughout the area as management needs dictate.
- 11. <u>Consultants and Experts</u>. The tours of duty prescribed in subpars. D2 through D10 do not apply to consultants and experts.

#### E. Establishment of other than Standard Tours of Duty

- 1. <u>General</u>. The nonstandard tour of duty established for a particular location applies to the entire country or state for employees accompanied or not accompanied by dependents unless the official requesting the nonstandard tour indicates that the proposed tour should be limited to (a) a specific area within the named location (ex., Bahamas: Andros Island), (b) employees authorized and accompanied by dependents or employees not authorized dependents, and/or (c) employees serving on a renewal agreement tour.
- 2. <u>Requesting Revision</u>. A DoD component desiring to establish a tour of duty that differs from the standard tour or from a specific tour of duty established in par. A, B, C, or D must submit a request for an exception to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy) stating the reasons for the desired exception.
- 3. <u>Special Conditions</u>. When special conditions justify it, and the interested components concur, tours of duty may be established in a given OCONUS area that differ among military departments, provided every effort is made to correct the special conditions which justify this practice and to establish a uniform tour of duty for the area as promptly as possible.

# APPENDIX R

# **RESERVED**

# **APPENDIX S**

# **AUTHORIZED FEML LOCATIONS/DESTINATIONS**

The following are authorized FEML locations/destinations for members (and their dependents) and, effective 2 Nov 2002, for civilian employees and their dependents:

Authorized FEML Location	Command Region	Authorized Destination	Re-certification Due Date
Albania, Tirana	European	Frankfurt	1 Jan 2003
Argentina	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Armenia, Yerevan	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Australia, Alice Springs	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Australia, Exmouth	Pacific	Perth	31 Mar 2006
Australia, Learmonth	Pacific	Perth	31 Mar 2006
Azerbaijan, Baku	European	Frankfurt	31 Jul 2005
Bahrain	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Barbados	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Belarus, Minsk	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Belize	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Bolivia	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Botswana, Gaborone	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Brazil	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Bulgaria, Sofia	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Burma, Rangoon	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Cambodia, Phnom Penh	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Cameroon, Yaounde	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Chad, N'djamena	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Chile	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
China, Beijing	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Columbia	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Costa Rica, San Jose	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2006
Croatia, Zagreb	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
*Cuba, Guantanamo Bay	Southern	Jacksonville	*31 Dec 2006
Cuba, Havana (for Coast Guard uniformed members only)	USCG	Miami	18 Dec 2005
Cyprus, Nicosia	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Democratic Republic of Congo, Kinshasa	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Djibouti	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Dominican Republic	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005

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Ecuador	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Egypt	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
El Salvador	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Eritrea, Asmara	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Estonia, Tallinn	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Fiji	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Gabon, Libreville	European	Paris	31 Oct 2004
Georgia, Tbilisi	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Ghana, Accra	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Greece, Athens	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Greece, Larissa	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Greenland, Thule 1/	European	Baltimore	31 May 2006
Guatemala	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Guinea, Conakry	European	Paris/Frankfurt	31 Jan 2005
Guyana	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Haiti	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Honduras	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Hong Kong	Pacific	Los Angeles	31 Mar 2006
India, New Delhi	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Indonesia, Jakarta	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Israel, Tel Aviv	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Ivory Coast, Abidjan	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Jamaica	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Jordan	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Kazakhstan, Almaty	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Kenya	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Korea 2/ (eff 28 May 2004)	Pacific	Chicago or Los Angeles	28 May 2005
Kuwait	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
*Laos, Vientiane (eff 29 Oct 2004)	Joint POW/MIA	Honolulu	31 October 2006
Latvia, Riga	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Lithuania, Vilnius	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslavia Republic of Macedonia, Skopje	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Madagascar, Antananarivo (eff 28 May 2004)	Pacific	Frankfurt	31 May 2006
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	Pacific	Sydney	31 Mar 2006

Mali, Bamako	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Marshall Islands, Majuro	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Aug 2003
Mexico	Southern	San Antonio	30 Apr 2005
Moldova, Chisnau	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar	Pacific	San Francisco	31 Mar 2006
Morocco, Rabat	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Mozambique, Maputo	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Namibia, Windhoek	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Nepal, Kathmandu	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Dec 2004
Nicaragua	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Niger, Niamey	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Nigeria, Lagos	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Oman	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Pakistan	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Panama	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Paraguay	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Peru	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Philippines, Metro Manila	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Poland, Warsaw	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Qatar	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Romania, Bucharest	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Russia, Moscow	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Rwanda, Kigali	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Saudi Arabia	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Senegal, Dakar	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Serbia and Montenegro, Belgrade	European	Frankfurt	30 Jun 2005
Singapore	Pacific	Honolulu (eff 14 Apr 2004)	31 Mar 2006
South Africa, Pretoria	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Sri Lanka, Columbo	Pacific	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2006
Suriname	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Syria, Damascus	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Thailand, Bangkok	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Thailand, Chiang Mai	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Trinidad and Tobago	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Tunisia, Tunis	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
Turkey, Ankara	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005

Turkey, Izmir	European	Frankfurt	1 Jan 2003
Turkmenistan, Ashgabat	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Uganda, Kampala	European	Frankfurt	30 Apr 2005
Ukraine, Kiev	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005
United Arab Emirates	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Uruguay	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Uzbekistan, Tashkent	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Venezuela	Southern	Miami	30 Apr 2005
Vietnam, Hanoi	Pacific	Honolulu	31 Mar 2006
Yemen	Central	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Zambia, Lusaka	European	Frankfurt	31 Oct 2004
Zimbabwe, Harare	European	Frankfurt	31 Mar 2005

<sup>1/</sup> Exception to the 24-month tour requirement approved by ASD(FMP) on 18 Mar 2002 memo.

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<sup>\*2/</sup> Only for uniformed members of the 2d Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division on unaccompanied tours in Korea preparing for deployment for Operation Iraqi Freedom. PDUSD (P&R) authorized an exception to the 24-month tour requirement and the 6 months begin/end of the tour limitation on 28 May 2004.

# **APPENDIX T**

# STANDARD DATA ELEMENTS FOR TRAVEL

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# APPENDIX T

# STANDARD DATA ELEMENTS FOR TRAVEL

# Table I:

# **Traveler Identification**

Group name	Data elements	Description	
Travel Authorization	Authorization Number	Assigned by the appropriate office.	
Employee Name	First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name	Agency guidelines may specify the order, e.g., last name first.	
Employee Identification	Employee Number	Must use a number, e.g., SSN, vendor number, or other number that identifies the employee.	
Travel Purpose Identifier	Site Visit		
•	Information Meeting		
	Training Attendance		
	Speech or Presentation		
	Conference attendance		
	Relocation	Same as change of official station.	
	Between Tours Travel		
	Special Mission Travel		
	Emergency Travel		
	Other Travel		
Travel Period	Start Date, End Date	Month, Day, Year according to agency guidelines.	
Travel Type	CONUS/Domestic	Travel within continental United States.	
	OCONUS/Domestic	Travel outside continental United States.	
	Foreign	Travel to other countries.	
Leave Indicator	Annual, Sick, Other	Identifies leave type as the reason for an interruption of per diem.	
Official Duty Station	City, State, Zip	Either the corporate limits of city/town or the reservation, station, established area where stationed.	
Residence	City, State, Zip	The geographical location where traveler resides, if different from official duty station.	
Payment Method	EFT Treasury Check Imprest Fund	Direct deposit via electronic funds transfer.	
Mailing Address	Street Address, City, State, Zip	The location designated by the traveler based on agency guidelines.	

Table II:
Commercial Transportation Information

Group name	Data elements	Description
Transportation Payment		Method traveler used to purchase transportation tickets.
Method Indicator	GTR	U.S. Government Transportation Request.
	Central Billing Account	A Contractor centrally billed account.
	Government Charge Card	In accordance with and as provided by agency guidelines.
	Cash	
Transportation Payment Identification Number	Payment ID Number	A number that identifies the payment for the transportation tickets, according to agency guidelines, (e.g., GTR number, Gov't credit card number).
Transportation Method Indicator	Air (Premium Class)	Common carrier used as transportation to TDY location.
	Air (Non-premium Class)	
	Non-contract Air, Train, Other	
Local Transportation Indicator	POC, Car rental, Taxi, Other	Identifies local transportation used while on TDY.

# Table III:

**Travel Expense Information** 

Group name	Data elements	Description	
Per Diem	Total Number of Days	The number of days traveler claims to be on per	
		diem status, for each official travel location.	
	Total Amount Claimed	The amount of money traveler claims as per	
	1	diem expense.	
	Lodging, Meals & Incidentals		
Travel Advance	Advance Outstanding	The amount of travel advance outstanding, when the traveler files the travel claim.	
	Remaining Balance	The amount of the travel advance that remains outstanding.	
Subsistence	Actual Days	Total number of days the traveler charged actual subsistence expenses. The number of days must be expressed as a whole number.	
	Total Actual Amount	Total amount of actual subsistence expenses claimed as authorized. Actual subsistence rate, per day, may not exceed the maximum subsistence expense rate established for official travel by the JFTR or JTR as appropriate.	
Transportation Method Cost	Air (Premium Class)	The amount of money the transportation actually cost the traveler, entered according to method of transportation.	
	Air (Non-premium class) Non-contract Air, Train		
	Other	Bus or other form of transportation.	
Local Transportation	POC Distance	Total number of miles driven in POC.	
	POC mileage expense	Total amount claimed as authorized based on mileage rate. Different mileage rates apply	
	Car rental, Taxis, Other	based on type and use of the POC.	
Constructive cost	Constructive cost	The difference between the amount authorized to spend and the amount claimed.	
Reclaim	Reclaim amount	An amount of money previously denied as reimbursement for which additional justification is now provided.	
Total Claim	Total claim	The sum of the amount of money claimed for per diem, actual subsistence, mileage, transportation method cost, and other expenses.	

Table IV:
Accounting & Certification

Group name	Data elements	Description	
Accounting Classification	Accounting Code	Agency accounting code.	
Non-Federal Source	Per Diem, Subsistence,	Indicates the type of travel expense(s) paid, in	
Indicator	Transportation	part or totally, by a non-Federal source.	
Non-Federal Source	Check, EFT, Payment "in-	Total payment provided by non-Federal source	
Payment Method.	kind"	according to method of payment.	
		Traveler's signature, or digital representation.	
Signature/Date Fields	Claimant Signature	The signature signifies the traveler read the	
		"fraudulent claim/responsibility" statement.	
	Date	Date traveler signed "fraudulent claim/	
	Bute	responsibility" statement.	
		Traveler's signature, or digital representation.	
	Claimant Signature	The signature signifies the traveler read the	
		"Privacy Act" statement.	
	Date	Date traveler signed "Privacy Act" statement.	
		Approving Officer's signature, or digital	
	Approving Officer	representation. The signature signifies the	
	Signature	travel claim is approved for payment based on	
		authorized travel.	
	Date	Date Approving Officer approved and signed	
	Bate	the travel claim.	
		Certifying Officer's signature, or digital	
	Certifying Officer	representation. The signature signifies the	
	Signature	travel claim is certified correct and proper for	
		payment.	
	Date	Date Certifying Officer signed the travel claim.	

#### **APPENDIX U**

#### AUTHORIZED REST AND RECUPERATION (R&R) LOCATIONS/DESTINATIONS

NOTE 1: See JFTR, par. U7300 (uniformed members) and JTR, par. C6750 (civilian employees) for regulations concerning Funded Rest And Recuperative (R&R) Leave Transportation.

NOTE 2: The footnoted locations are authorized R&R for specific missions only!

The following are authorized Rest and Recuperation (R&R) locations/destinations for members of the Uniformed Services and for civilian employees:

Authorized R&R Location	Command Region	Authorized OCONUS Destination	Authorized CONUS Destination	Re-certification Due Date
Afghanistan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Albania	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Bahrain 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Bosnia- Herzegovina	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Croatia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Djibouti 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Hungary	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Iraq 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Joint Task Force - South West Asia (JTF-SWA) 1/	Central	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Dec 2002
Jordan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Kuwait 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Kyrgyzstan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Macedonia, Former Yugoslavia, Republic of	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Montenegro	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Oman 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005

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Pakistan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Qatar 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Saudi Arabia 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Serbia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Slovenia	European	Frankfurt, Germany	Baltimore, Maryland	31 Mar 2002
Tajikistan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
United Arab Emirates 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Uzbekistan 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005
Yemen 2/	Central	Airport closest to leave point	Airport closest to leave point	30 Sep 2005

1/ Only for the mission of Operation Southern Watch.

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\*2/Only for those providing support to Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. Before 19 December 2003, the authorized destination was the APOD. Effective 19 December 2003 the authorized destination became the APOD with funded transportation authorized from the APOD to the airport closest to the leave point. Effective 5 Feb 2004 the Coalition Forces Land Component Commander was permitted to authorize R&R participants to travel via commercial air from the commercial airport nearest their AOR duty locations to the commercial airport nearest their leave locations.

Per PDUSD(P&R) memo dated 21 June 2004, as of that date, a member of the US Armed Forces who took R&R leave between 25 September 2003 and 18 December 2003 and personally procured transportation from the APOD in the U.S. to the leave point and return to the APOD, is authorized reimbursement retroactively for the transportation expenses actually incurred. Since a CTO and city-pair fares were not available at that time, the member is authorized reimbursement of transportation costs NTE the least expensive unrestricted commercial coach fare (JFTR, par. U3120-D2). This authority for retroactive reimbursement does not extend to civilian employees.